

Course summary

This training day has been designed to meet the occupational standard, CHS12, to undertake treatments and dressings related to wound care and also standard CHS14 to remove sutures and clips.

Individuals who attend this course and complete the practical component will meet the KSF dimension; Health and Wellbeing 5, Level. 2.

Who should attend?

Health Care Assistants/Support Workers/Assistant Practitioners

Aims/objectives

- Develop an awareness of the anatomy and physiology of the skin
- Understand the process of wound healing and factors that affect tissue viability
- Explore the techniques and approaches for wound management
- Develop a working knowledge of the types and purposes of dressings commonly used.
- Identify the necessary knowledge, attitude and skills for wound care (including suture and staple removal)
- Discuss your professional responsibilities in relation to wound care

Course outline

- Anatomy & physiology of the skin
- What is a wound (including pressure ulcers)?
- Classification of wounds
- Wound healing
- Complications
- Principles of basic wound care
- Aseptic/Non touch technique
- Removal of sutures & staples
- Wound evaluation
- Choice of dressings
- Burns
- Accountability & professional issues
- Documentation & record keeping
- Practical workshops
- Evaluation

Additional information

- All materials will be provided including handbook, handouts, procedural guidelines and a competency based framework plus additional accreditation related documentation as appropriate
- Refreshments will be provided mid morning and afternoon
- All learners will be expected to undertake a period of supervised practice in their place of work with a designated mentor