

SECTOR FOCUS:

# Health and Social Care in Greater Manchester

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The Health sector includes health service jobs delivered by organisations such as the NHS, private medical centres, the social care sector and the bio-technology and pharmaceutical industries.

This sector comprises of hospitals, doctors' surgeries, dental practices, the ambulance service, nursing homes, residential care homes and other health-related provisions and is concerned with the development and manufacture of drugs and ways of making diagnoses.

## What jobs are available?

Typical jobs and starting annual salaries in the sector include:

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE ASSOCIATE  
**£22,000**

SOCIAL WORKER  
**£30,000**

NURSE  
**£27,000**

MEDICAL PRACTITIONER  
**£65,800**

## Fast Facts

In Greater Manchester Health and Social Care is:


 **6,850**  
employers


 **6%**  
of businesses have 50+ employees

 **21%**  
growth in sector since 2005

 Expected to create  
**9,000**  
new jobs by 2025

In the sector:

 Growth may slow in the future due to public funding cuts, although it is one of the UK's largest sectors.

 A large number of opportunities will be available in the future due to growing demand for health services.



## What companies are based in Greater Manchester?

Leading Health and Social Care employers in Greater Manchester include:

- BMI Healthcare Limited
- BUPA Care Homes Ltd
- Care UK Homecare Limited
- Chadderton Total Care Unit Limited
- Federation of Jewish Services
- Future Directions (UK) Limited
- The Manchester Mental Health & Social Care Trust
- NHS
- Premier Care Limited
- Priory Healthcare Limited

## How do I get into the sector?

You can get into Health and Social Care via a number of routes, including:

### ➤ COLLEGES

Most local authority websites list nearby colleges or try the National Careers Service 'Find a course' tool at: <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/course-directory/home>.

### ➤ UNIVERSITIES

The majority of university level courses are listed on the UCAS website. To search for relevant courses go to: [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com).

### ➤ TRAINING PROVIDERS

Many local training providers are listed on the Greater Manchester Apprenticeship Hub website at: <http://theapprenticeshiphub.co.uk/regional-map/> or you can search using the 'Find a course' tool listed above.

### ➤ APPRENTICESHIPS AND TRAINEESHIPS

For general information or to search for vacancies try the National Apprenticeships service at: <https://www.gov.uk/apprenticeships-guide>.

## How do I find out more?

For more information, go to:

### NATIONAL CAREERS SERVICE

➤ <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk>

### BRITISH DENTAL ASSOCIATION

➤ [www.bda.org](http://www.bda.org)

### NHS CAREERS

➤ [www.healthcareers.nhs.uk](http://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk)

### NURSING AND MIDWIFERY COUNCIL

➤ [www.nmc-uk.org](http://www.nmc-uk.org)

### SKILLS FOR CARE

➤ [www.skillsforcare.org.uk](http://www.skillsforcare.org.uk)

### SKILLS FOR HEALTH

➤ [www.skillsforhealth.org.uk](http://www.skillsforhealth.org.uk)