

# Certificate in Assessing Vocational Achievement AVA (QCF) (Pharmacy & Dental)



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Subject Area	Pharmacy, Science
Course Type	Adult
Study Level	Level 3
Delivery Mode	Part-time
Duration	1 Academic Year
Start Date	May 2025 (&plus; more)
Course Code	PA000052

## Course Summary

This Certificate qualifies you to be an assessor for NVQ and other competency-based courses. You are only eligible to do this course if you assess candidates in their workplace as well as at a training centre.

The award is for practitioners who assess the achievement of competence in a work environment using the following assessment methods: observation, examining work products, oral questioning and discussion, use of others (such as witnesses), learner statements and prior learning.

## What You Will Learn

You will learn techniques in assessing competence in a workplace. This includes vocational skills, knowledge and understanding of the work environment.

You will receive a half-day induction in the workplace and then use online learning to achieve the qualification. You will be visited in your workplace in order to observe your practice. The qualification can be done at your own pace but we would aim for you to

complete it within twelve months.

## Modules

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This is a 15 credit and 84 guided learning hour qualification consisting of 3 mandatory units:

- Unit 1 – Understanding the Principles and Practices of Assessment
- Unit 2 – Assess Occupational Competence in the Work Environment
- Unit 3 – Assess Vocational Skills, Knowledge and Understanding

## Entry Requirements

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Entry to this course requires you to be a registered Pharmacy or Dental professional with two students you can assess on a BTEC, NVQ or similar award, each with a minimum of two units.

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