

Early Years
Apprenticeships
Information webinar



Welcome!

This session is designed to inform you about the early years apprenticeships from level 2-5.

What do you hope to get out of this session?





What is an apprenticeship?

An apprenticeship is a learning programme that allows learners to learn while they earn.







What is an apprenticeship made up of?

Standard (Knowledge, skills and behaviours)

Maths and English functional skills

Off the job training

Gateway

End point assessment



What are the benefits of our early years apprenticeships?



- Support development of practitioners to help them to excel in their role
- Allows apprentices to apply theoretical learning into practice in the workplace
- Provides a fully recognised qualification in line with the EYFS/ratio requirements
- Offers a route into higher education whilst working and gaining practical experience
- Develops confidence, communication skills and supports wider learning
- Opportunity to gain a fully funded qualification (95% government funded)



Early years apprenticeships – progression route





Our Delivery Plan



Blended programme of face to face and online study



Progress reviews every 6 weeks



Specialist 1-2-1 Tutor Support



BPN boost – personal development, career information advice and guidance and welfare programme



Regular reflections on learning and practice



Partnership working between BPN, the apprentice and the employer

Virtual classrooms

How does your behaviour influence children?



An adult shouts at a child in a preschool room for not listening. A practitioner is sitting on a table in front of the children, despite the children regularly being told not to sit or climb on furniture.

At snack time you sign and model saying 'please' and thank you' as children pass the fruit around the table.

When changing a nappy, a new member of staff is complaining about having to do this and talking about the smell.

Two children have a disagreement over a toy. You get down to their level and calmly model turn taking.



Each month, learners will attend online group virtual classroom sessions.







These are designed to be interactive and engaging sessions.



BPN Boost

- Online library of resources
- Access to association of apprentices
- Monthly virtual classrooms
- Podcasts





EYP L2

- 13 month programme + 3 months EPA (for full time learner)
- Functional skills maths and English L1 required if apprentice does not already have equivalent qualifications
- L2 NQUAL diploma Early Years Practitioner
- Ideal for learners who are new to an early years setting/the workplace or not quite ready for level 3
- Consists of 9 core modules, including child development, health and safety, safeguarding and purposeful play & assessment
- EPA methods: multiple choice test and a professional discussion underpinned by a portfolio of evidence



https://www.instituteforapprenticeship s.org/apprenticeship-standards/earlyyears-practitioner-v1-0





Early Years Educator L3



- 15 month programme + 3 months EPA (for full time learner minimum duration 12 months)
- Fully recognised and supports meeting ratio requirements for EYE L3 in an EY setting
- Functional skills maths and English L2
- Learners will need to complete paediatric first aid and submit their certificate as part of their apprenticeship
- Consists of 11 modules + end point assessment preparation – including safeguarding, H&S, child development, a unique child, enabling environments and teaching, learning & assessment
- End point assessment methods observation and questioning, professional discussion and portfolio of evidence

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Early Years Lead Practitioner Level 5

- 18 month programme + 6 months EPA (for full time learner minimum duration 12 months)
- Designed for those in a leadership role in an EY setting
- Functional skills maths and English L2
- Delivered in cohorts
- 19 online sessions including leadership practice, the unique child, implementation of legislation and guidance and learning and development
- Fully recognised qualification in line with the EYFS





Employer requirements

Attend learner reviews

Allow time for apprentices to attend monthly webinars

Provide
apprentice with
20% off the job
training

Provide your apprentice with a mentor

Provide regular support, feedback and guidance to the apprentice

Provide apprentices
with opportunities
to develop their
knowledge, skills
and behaviours



What is Off the Job Training?



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Practice

Network

Funding

Early Years Practitioner L2 - £4000

Early Years Educator L3 - £7000

Early Years Lead Practitioner L5 - £8000

Maximum employer contribution: £400

What is the levy fund?

The English apprentice levy fund is controlled by the Department for Education and was created as a long-term funding solution for companies to hire and train apprentices.

Our apprenticeship programmes qualify for funding from the English apprentice levy fund. Best Practice Network provides support to candidates and their employers to access this funding.

For guidance on how the funding routes apply to your setting, speak to one of our apprenticeship experts on +44 (0) 117 920 9428 or email enquiries@bestpracticenet.co.uk

Enrol your employees

Employers should contact Best Practice Network via enquiries@bestpracticenet.co.uk to reserve a place on the required programme.

We will then support you with gathering all necessary information, recruitment, registering with Apprenticeship Service Account and funding applications.



Funding routes

If your setting contributes to the apprenticeship levy fund Levy paying employers can access their fund contributions through their Apprenticeship Service Account. You can use this service to manage the funds you have available for apprenticeship training in England.

If your setting does not contribute to the apprenticeship levy fund You pay 5% towards the cost of the training for your apprentice. The remaining 95% will be paid by the government.

Apprenticeship levy transfer

Employers with unspent funds can transfer up to 25% of that contribution to another employer. That means you can benefit from the levy contributions of a different organisation to cover the full costs of an apprenticeship for your setting.

If your setting has fewer than 50 employees You will receive 100% of the funding where the apprentice is 16-18 years old or is between 19-24 and has a local authority education, health and care plan.

Employers and training providers will both receive an additional £1,000 where the apprentice is between 16 and 18 years old.







Next steps

Apply by August 11 for September cohort

Applications can be made through our website:

https://www.bestpracticenet.co.uk/e
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Any questions?

