

Ivybridge Community College

Career of the Week



Autumn Term 2

Job Title: Nurse

Salary: £27,000 - £40,588 (experienced)

Working Hours: 37-42 hrs per week, evenings/weekends/shifts

How Can I Get There?/Routes of Entry:

- University
- College
- Apprenticeship
- Armed Forces

Local Providers:

- ICC and other 6th Forms
- City College Plymouth
- Scott Medical College
- Exeter College
- Achievement Training
- South Devon College
- Plymouth/Exeter university

Skills Required:

- Sensitivity and understanding
- The ability to work well with others
- A desire to help people
- Knowledge of psychology could be useful
- To be thorough and pay attention to detail
- Customer service skills
- The ability to accept criticism and work well under pressure
- Patience and the ability to remain calm in stressful situations
- To be able to use a computer and the main software packages competently

Key Employers in the South West:

- Plymouth Hospitals Trust
- Torbay & South Devon Hospital Trust
- Livewell Southwest
- Care Homes
- Independent Healthcare Organisations

Progression:

With experience you could become a Nursing Sister/Ward Manager, or move into a higher management role such as Director of Nursing. You could specialize in a particular field such as Intensive Care or Operating Theatre nursing, or train to become a Midwife or a District Nurse.