

SHERENE TEAM LEADING NHS BEDFORDSHIRE

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Tell us about yourself..

Hi, my name is Sherene and I am a Continuing Healthcare Systems Team Leader at BLMK Clinical Commissioning Group.

Why did you choose an apprenticeship?

I chose an apprenticeship to elevate my current skill set. I have worked in several roles and industries during my years of employment and felt that developing my skills would not only assist with my current role but in gaining prospective ones in the future.

How did you find out about it?

I found out about the apprenticeship through my organisation's Training and Development team. I started with the Business Administration Level 2 and upon completion decided to undertake the Team Leader Level 3.

How long have you been in the industry?

I have worked within the NHS for 6 years in varied organisations including a Deaf Child & Adolescent Mental Health unit, a Community Health Centre and now a Continuing Healthcare Team.

How do you feel you have benefitted from doing an apprenticeship?

I feel that the apprenticeship has enhanced my knowledge of the required subject matter, some of which I already knew and understood but also some I had not yet been introduced to. It has enabled me to implement this into supporting both my team and myself.

What is the most interesting thing that has happened since being on this apprenticeship?

Covid has been a major factor across both my apprenticeships, working within the NHS, this has had a major impact on the health industry.

What advice would you give to someone looking to come into the industry or looking to start and apprenticeship?

I would advise anyone looking to start an apprenticeship to establish what field your passion is in and go for it! It may seem daunting initially, but you will have support from your tutor and learning new things can be an enjoyable experience.

What next for you and your future?

Upon completion of my apprenticeship, I will be looking for my next career challenge. This may be within my current organisation or externally. I will also be looking at additional courses to undertake as I feel that as an individual you can never stop growing.

