

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

Subject Area	Pharmacy
Course Type	Adult
Study Level	Level 3
Delivery Mode	Part-time
Location	Virtual
Duration	1 Academic Year
Start Date	September 2025
Course Code	

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

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

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. For more information regarding enrolment and entry requirements, please contact our Special Projects Officer, Karen Piotr k.Piotr@bradfordcollege.ac.uk. For more information regarding the course, please contact our Pharmacy Skills Lead, Sam Bradshaw s.bradshaw2@bradfordcollege.ac.uk.

Assessment

Progression
