

The End Point Assessment for Health Play Specialist apprenticeship:

The EPA consists of the following:

	Method	Area Assessed and role of Independent Assessor	Duration
1	Knowledge Test	<p>This is a regulated profession which requires a strong underpinning knowledge of the policies, frameworks and codes of practice to ensure the wellbeing of patients at all times. A knowledge test will ensure that the apprentice has this before they are licenced to practice without supervision.</p> <p>Tests must be marked by independent assessors or markers employed by the EPAO following a marking guide produced by the EPAO.</p>	90 minutes
2	Observation with questioning	<p>Apprentices must be observed by an independent assessor completing work in their normal workplace, in which they will demonstrate the KSBs assigned to this assessment method.</p> <p>One independent assessor may observe up to a maximum of 1 apprentice at any one time, to allow for quality and rigour.</p>	3 hours
3	Professional discussion underpinned by portfolio	<p>This assessment will take the form of a professional discussion which must be appropriately structured to draw out the best of the apprentice's competence and excellence and cover the KSBs assigned to this assessment method.</p> <p>The independent assessors will conduct and assess the professional discussion.</p>	90 minutes

All assessment methods are weighted equally in their contribution to the overall EPA grade.