

JOB OF THE WEEK

What is it?



Physiotherapist - Physiotherapy helps restore movement and function when someone is affected by injury, illness or disability.

Day to day tasks

There are many day to day tasks for this profession, here a few:

- helping patients recover from accident, illness or injury.
- organising therapeutic physical exercise sessions.
- providing massages.
- using specialist techniques such as electrotherapy and ultrasound.
- collecting statistics.
- writing reports.
- liaising with professionals such as doctors and nurses.



Qualifications

A university degree is the most popular way to become a physiotherapist. A full-time degree can take three years and a part-time course will take six years. A two-year accelerated Masters course is also an option if you already have a relevant degree

Salary

Jobs in the NHS consist of nine pay bands and are usually covered by the Agenda for Change (AfC) pay rates. Starting salaries for qualified physiotherapists (Band 5) range from £27,055 to £32,934. Senior physiotherapists can earn between £33,706 and £40,588 (Band 6).



Routes into the industry

There are various entry routes to becoming a physiotherapist. Regardless of academic level, each route provides you with a high-quality learning experience and the knowledge and skills needed to register and practise as a physiotherapist in the UK.