Think about Practical Observation Level 3 Senior Healthcare Support Worker – Mental Health Support (APO2 09/18)



On the day of assessment, you will carry out:



A 120-minute observation plus up to 10 minutes Q&A



Face-to-face



Under exam conditions



With an end-point assessor



Key point

Your end-point assessor will need to stop the observation if you demonstrate any unsafe practices or breaches of professional codes of conduct.



	Do
	Review the criteria associated with the practical observation – this can be found in the EPA kit
	Discuss the activities you need to demonstrate with your manager Use the planner to plan how you will demonstrate the skills you
	have that are associated with the practical observation Review relevant legislations, regulations and your organisation's policies and procedures
	Be prepared to answer follow-up questions that further test your skills and behaviours
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	Forget to bring your ID Forget to tell your colleagues and to obtain consent from patients who are present while you are being observed
	Panic if a planned activity cannot go ahead, you can identify another activity to be observed



Next steps

- Results can take up to 12 working days to be confirmed
- Your manager/training provider will inform you of the results



Resits

• If you do not achieve a pass result on the practical observation you can resit the assessment



Use the table below to plan and prepare for the practical observation

	Standard area - core	Key points to remember
	Health and wellbeing	
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Duty of care and candour, safeguarding, equality and diversity	
Person-centred care, treatment and support	
Communication	
Personal, people and quality improvement	

Health, safety and security	
Dignity	
Respect and empathy	
Discretion	

Standard area – option Mental health support	Key points to remember
Assist with delegated clinical tasks and therapeutic interventions	
Support individuals	