

Moving and Positioning People



Target Audience

Care and Support staff in a variety of settings and Housing Support Teams who are providing direct care and support.

This course has been developed for staff who have a responsibility for moving and positioning/repositioning people. It will provide staff with the knowledge required to work safely in the workplace. It prepares staff to take care of their back both in and out of the workplace.

The course comprises of both theory and demonstration of practical techniques.

This course is delivered using a range of methods and resources including:

Face to Face tutor facilitation, questionnaires, scenarios for group discussion, practical application of knowledge, and an end
of session assessment.

This course has been developed and mapped to current occupational standards, qualification frameworks and the following documents and resources:

- Health and Safety at Work Act 1974
- Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992
- Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998

Course Content

- Legislation in relation to moving and positioning
- Understanding the human right to refuse
- Develop knowledge around decision making
- Understand the concept of dependence, promoting independence and applying this to the service setting
- The risk assessment process (TILE/LITE)
- Health, posture, spinal anatomy, physiology and common injuries
- Warnings against unsafe and outdated moves

- Improved techniques and principles
- Live practical demonstration to include:
 - Hand positions front and back
 - Body weight and counterbalance principles
- Practical application of knowledge to include:
 - Turning and repositioning
 - Slide sheet use
 - Hoist and sling use

Learning Outcomes

After attending this course, learners will be able to:

- Give a brief description of anatomy and physiology in relation to moving and positioning people
- State legislation and agreed ways of working to be taken into consideration when moving and positioning people
- State how to minimise risk before moving and positioning people
- Describe how to prepare people before moving and positioning
- Demonstrate a range of techniques