

What is the role of...

A HCA (Health Care Assistant) in General Practice?

A Healthcare Assistant works in GP surgeries, hospitals or out in the community to provide care, alongside the nursing team.

HCAs provide a range of appointments including:

- * Blood pressure checks
- * Bloods
- * Wound care and wound checks
- * Removal of stitches
- * NHS Health checks
- * Flu and B12 injections
- * Observations e.g. weight, height and BMI
- * ECGs
- * Dopplers
- * Spirometry
- * Ear micro suction



HCAs sort out all samples that come into the practice and make sure they are distributed to the correct laboratories at the hospitals to ensure that patients get the results back.