

Healthcare Science Career of the Week



Operating Department Practitioner

Area of NHS: Allied Health Professions

Pay Scale:
£36k - £47k+
Band: 5 - 7



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AMAZING FACT

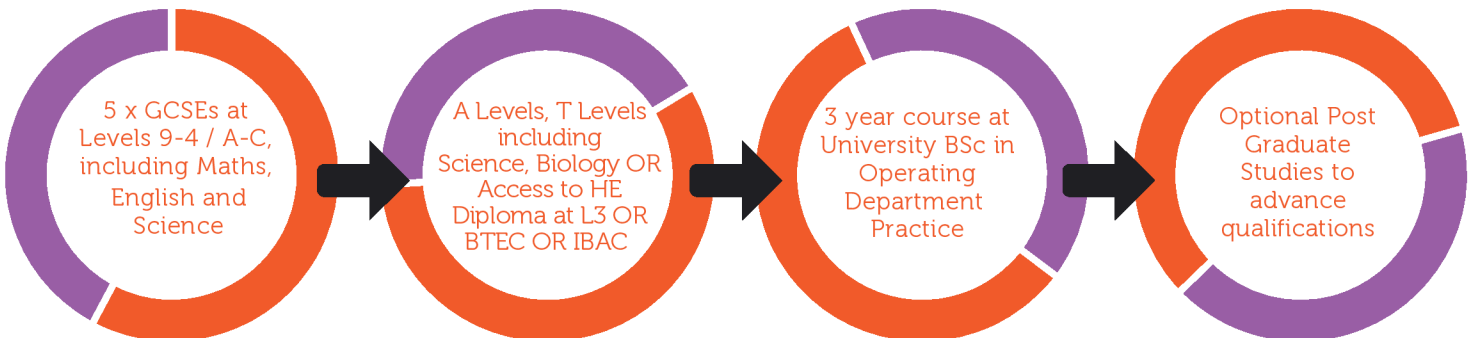
You get to work with a surgery team and go into surgery.
Yes, you read that right, YOU GET TO GO INTO SURGERY!!!

An ODP is part of the operating team and work in surgical theatres. They work with patients in the anaesthetic phase, surgical phase and recovery phase. There are load of different jobs they can do from infection control to passing the surgical instruments to the surgeon. This means you have to count the instruments out and then count them back in – don't leave them in the patient!

After surgery an ODP can be involved in wound care, making sure the patient is recovering well and there is no risk of infection. This is such an important role and they have to work as part of a wide clinical team.



What to do to get into this career...



HAVE YOU CONSIDERED?

An ODP is heavily involved with patient care throughout surgery, so if working with patients is something you are really interested in, you should check out all of the Physiology careers as well.



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Check out www.codp.org.uk to find ODP courses and more in depth info on this career.

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