

Childcare and Health and Social Care Learning throughout the Eastern Region

## Vocational Training Services Case Study



## Jack Willis Health and Social Care

Jack lives in Westcliff, Essex and is currently undertaking VTS's City and Guilds Level 2 Certificate in Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care.

This qualification is designed to provide an ideal taster for learners who may be new to the sector or new to the world of work. Successful completion provides an opportunity for progression into employment in the care sector, for example working in a residential care or nursing home.

Although aged only 19, Jack has always wanted to work in Care. He has some personal experience as his mother was involved in the care sector, which inspired him to apply for a full time college

course a couple of years ago. However, Jack did not have a good learning experience there, and felt held back by other students who were disruptive, and the tutors there did little to keep order. Despite this, he continued to study hard and eventually left with a qualification that sadly, employers seemed not to recognise, as he was still applying for work several months later.

Job Centre Plus referred Jack to VTS, where he is making great progress, and says "I have learned more about social care here at VTS in a few weeks than I did in two years at college. I am in a small group, all of whom want to learn, and my tutors are very supportive and experienced. I know VTS only employs tutors who have many years experience in the Care sector, and this really shows. I want to work in care because it's a meaningful career and I want to help people."

Jack's Tutor, Suzanne, said:

"Along with the rest of the group, Jack is a pleasure to teach. He is genuine about wanting to work in Care, and is well motivated and sincere.

He is working really hard to achieve his ambition, and I am delighted to be a part of that. I recommend him to any Care employer as I am convinced he will be a real asset to them"



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