

### Course Description

The aim of this award is to equip the learner with the relevant knowledge, skills and competence in the practices and principles underpinning the role of a Special Needs Assistant to enable the learner to work effectively under direction in a special needs assisting capacity.

Satisfactory completion of this module aims at assisting learners' in obtaining a standalone certification in the QQI minor award of Special Needs Assisting 5N1786 at Level 5 while also assisting in their continued progress to attain further higher vocational qualifications, especially the Level 5 Major Award of Community Health Services 5M4468.



### PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES

The main objectives of this programme for the learners are:

- Explore the role and responsibilities, qualities and skills of the Special Needs Assistant (SNA)
- Examine the relevant legislation in relation to disability
- Explore the rights of children with disabilities in relation to personal autonomy, participation, and decision-making
- Relate effectively and appropriately to children who present with additional needs
- To enable the learner to select and apply care routines in feeding, toileting, and general hygiene
- Maintain appropriate relationships with children, parents, primary carers, teachers and other members of the multi-disciplinary team.

### Course Details

**Entry requirements:** QQI Level 4 certificate or equivalent Qualifications and / or relevant life and work experience. Learners must have excellent reading, writing, and numeracy skills.

**Qualification:** QQI Level 5  
**Course code:** 5N1786

**Assessment:** Learner Record 40%  
Skills Demonstration 60%

**Price:** €250\*

**Duration:** 4 Full Days  
Tutor led/150 Hours  
self directed

**Location:** CEEDS

**Start Date:** September  
2020