

# Certificate for Safe Handling of Medicines

## ASET

This flexible distance learning programme enables study to be planned around work and can be started at any time. Learning is on a modular basis and consists of assessment activities, workbooks and provided learning materials. The activities and assessments are based on a combination of knowledge and skills learned on the programme together with work-based activities and experience. Participants will also receive 8 guided learning hours with a tutor.

The course aims to provide a structured training programme which will enable participants to improve their knowledge and understanding of the safe handling of medicines and safety. It is suitable for anyone with an interest or responsibility in this area, particularly those working or wishing to work in a statutory, private or voluntary health and social care context. It is also appropriate for care workers working towards the National Care Standards at Induction and Foundation levels.

Topics covered will include:

- An introduction to medicines and prescriptions.
- Medicines supply, storage and disposal.
- Safe administration of medicine.
- Quality control and record keeping.
- Accountability, responsibility & confidentiality.

**Duration:** 12-14 weeks

**Delivery:** This course is also available as an 'open' course, with start dates throughout the year.