

BTEC LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE IN THE PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE FOR PHARMACY SUPPORT STAFF

Unit 7: Principles of Safe Preparation and Manufacturing of Medicines

Timeline (Cohort 2 2026)

Date	Time	Study – minimum 3-hour block	Covering	
25 th Aug 2026	09:00 – 10:00 10:00 – 12:00	Virtual classroom Self-directed study	Introduction to Unit 7	
1 st Sept 2026	09:00 – 12:00	Virtual classroom	Outcome 1 & 2 knowledge	
8 th Sept 2026	09:00 – 12:00	Self-directed learning Completion of workbook activities	Outcome 1 knowledge	
15 th Sept 2026	09:00 – 12:00	Self-directed learning Completion of workbook activities	Outcome 2 knowledge	
22 nd Sept 2026	09:00 – 10:00 10:00 – 12:00	Virtual classroom Hand out: Assignment Submission deadline: 19th October 2026	Introduction to assignment Assessment of knowledge	
29 th Sept 2026	09:00 – 12:00	Assignment writing	Assessment of knowledge	
6 th Oct 2026	09:00 – 12:00	Self-directed learning Completion of PWDS e-learning programme	Assessment of knowledge	Observations of practice
13 th Oct 2026	10:00 – 13:00	Virtual classroom	Outcome 4 & 5 knowledge	
20 th Oct 2026	09:00 – 12:00	Self-directed learning Completion of workbook activities	Outcome 4 knowledge	
27 th Oct 2026	09:00 – 12:00	Self-directed learning Completion of workbook activities	Outcome 5 knowledge	
2 nd Nov 2026 (Monday)	09:00 – 12:00	Virtual classroom Hand out: Assignment Submission deadline: 29th November 2026	Outcome 4 & 5 Unit round-up Introduction to assignment	
10 th Nov 2026	09:00 – 12:00	Assignment writing	Assessment of knowledge	
8 th Dec 2026	09:00 – 12:00	E-portfolio evidence completion	Assessment of knowledge	
		Tutorials as required for reworks		

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Important

Learners will need to be released for a minimum of 3 hours per week, which needs to be in one block of study time.

On weeks when learners need to attend virtual teaching sessions these will be held on Tuesday morning from 09:00 – 12:00. The dates of these sessions are clear on the timeline. **(Please note one has to be on a Monday morning)**

Virtual teaching will take place using the Microsoft Teams platform, so please ensure learners are able to access this.

Learners are required to be observed in the workplace.