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| Professional Institute - ACCAACCAACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) is the global body for professional accountants which supports 162,000 members and 426,000 students throughout their careers, providing services through a network of 80 offices. We use our expertise and experience to work with governments, donor agencies and professional bodies to develop the global accountancy profession and to advance the public interest.In the UK, our Health Service Network comprises approximately 3,000 members working in the healthcare sector. Its activities include forging strategic alliances with key organisations including the European Commission, the Department of Health, the Healthcare Financial Management Association, the Audit Commission and the NHS Confederation.We publish a quarterly magazine – *Health Service Review* – that examines key issues facing our members and keeps them abreast of latest developments in the sector.We also provide a full programme of (paid for) CPD courses and (free) lunchtime lectures.Read more about the [ACCA UK Health Service Network](http://uk.accaglobal.com/uk/members/networks/employment/hsn/)QualificationsThe ACCA Qualification is designed to provide the accounting knowledge, skills and professional values which will deliver finance professionals who are capable of building successful careers across all sectors including the NHS. In order to qualify as an ACCA member, you will complete:* 14 exams (nine of which are eligible for exemption)
* relevant practical experience, with a minimum of three years
* a Professional Ethics module

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