

BTEC Level 3 Health & Social Care

What will I learn?

The OCR Level 3 AAQ Cambridge Advanced National in Health & Social Care (Extended Certificate) aims to provide an introduction to the Health and Social Care sector through applied learning. It is for learners who are interested in learning about the Health and Social Care sector as part of a balanced study programme which includes theoretical study alongside application of skills as well as enrichment activities such as possible attendance on NHS Discovery Days, where students get to experience first hand the work of the local NHS Trust.

The Certificate (1 year) is equivalent in size to 0.5 of an A Level and will be delivered over 5 teaching units in a week (180 guided learning hours)

The OCR Level 3 AAQ Cambridge Advanced National in Health & Social Care (Certificate) is made up of 3 units, all mandatory, of which 1 is external: F090: Principles of health and social care; and the other two are portfolio work assessed internally: F092: Person-centred approach to care and F093: Supporting people with mental health conditions.

Students who are successful in completion of the Certificate in Health and Social Care during Year 12 can carry on into Year 13 to complete the Extended Certificate in Health and Social Care which is the equivalent of one A level (360 guided learning hours). The Extended Certificate qualification requires students to complete a further three units of work in addition to those studied during Year 12.

What can I do next?

The OCR Level 3 AAQ Cambridge Advanced National in Health & Social Care (Extended Certificate) is generally taken alongside other qualifications as part of a two year programme of learning. This will enable students to progress to a degree programme chosen from a range of programmes in the health and social care sector e.g. nursing, midwifery, occupational therapy and social work.

Health and Social Care is the largest employment sector in Peterborough. There are many opportunities for apprenticeships and employment in this sector upon completing this qualification. Course tutors work with careers provision within the school to help students realise their chosen destination.

The subjects that complement this qualification

These subjects might complement this qualification:

- Applied Science
- Biology
- Child Development
- Law
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Sport

The types of courses you may progress to

Both the subject-specific knowledge, understanding and skills, and broader transferable skills developed in this qualification will help you progress to further study in related areas such as: BSc Nursing (Adult/Child/Learning disabilities/Mental health), BSc Midwifery, BSc Health and social care, BSc Healthcare and Health Science, BSc Health Sciences, BSc Paramedic Science, BSc Public Health and Wellbeing, BA Social Work

Summary

Level: Level 3 Extended Certificate

Duration: 1-2 years

Qualification:
OCR Level 3 AAQ Cambridge
Advanced National in Health &
Social Care (Extended Certificate)

Entry Requirements:
5 GCSE qualifications at grade 5 or
above including Maths and English

Further course content

Year 12

- F090 – Principles of health and social care (External Assessment)
- F092 – Person-centred approach to care (Non Examined Assessment)
- F093 – Supporting people with mental health conditions (Non Examined Assessment)

Year 13

Mandatory unit:

- F091 – Anatomy and physiology for health and social care (External Assessment)

Optional units (choose two):

- F094 – Supporting people with long term physiological conditions (Non Examined Assessment)
- F095 – Investigating public health (Non Examined Assessment)
- F096 – Supporting people in relation to sexual health, pregnancy and postnatal health (Non Examined Assessment)
- F097 – Supporting healthy nutrition and lifestyles (Non Examined Assessment)

Assessment

Externally-assessed units:

(F090) Principles of health and social care and (F091) Anatomy and physiology for health and social care are both assessed under specified conditions, then marked by OCR and a grade awarded. The external assessments are 1 hour 30 minutes in length and uses extended writing to answer set questions. Testing will take place in January and May/June. , with the first assessment in January 2020.

Internally assessed units:

The remaining units are internally assessed units of coursework (non examined assessments). This means that a student is set and assessed on an assignment that provides them with the opportunities to: write up the findings of their own research; use case studies to explore complex or unfamiliar situations; carry out projects for which they have choice over the direction and outcomes; demonstrate practical and technical skills using appropriate work based values and practices.



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