

# HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

## BTEC LEVEL 3 NATIONAL DIPLOMA

### QUALIFICATION

Advanced Level  
Exam Board: Pearson

### REQUIREMENTS

GCSE Level 4 English and Mathematics also 2 other GCSEs at Level 4 or Level 2 Merit Health & Social Care

## Why study Health and Social Care?

This inspirational and inclusive course addresses the National Occupational Standards in health and social care. With a supportive and creative approach to independent learning it enhances current working practices regarding broad social and health concerns in a professional context.

## What skills are required?

Today's BTEC Nationals are demanding, students will need to be organised, have good time management and be committed.

Students will be expected to carry out background reading for course content, both from available texts and internet research. Students should also be able to demonstrate practical and technical skills using appropriate workplace values and practices.

This is essential to support and strengthen their understanding of material covered in the specification.

## Course Content

Learners taking this qualification will study six mandatory units:

- Human Lifespan Development
- Working in Health and Social Care
- Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs
- Principles of Safe Practice
- Current Research in Health and Social Care
- Promoting Public Health.

Optional units: students select two optional units alongside the mandatory units.

Optional Units include:

- Sociological Perspectives
- Psychological Perspectives
- Caring for Individuals with Additional Needs
- Physiological Disorders and their Care
- Nutritional Health

To develop a better understanding of the demands of working in the sector and to demonstrate their commitment and interest in the sector when applying for further study, learners can choose to take a minimum of 100 hours' work experience as part of the course.

## How it will be assessed:

External Assessment	External Assessment	Internal Assessment
Written Exam	Case Study	Assignments
Unit 1 & Unit 2 1.5hrs 90/80 marks respectively	Unit 4 6hrs (supervised) 65 marks	Units 5, 7, 8 and two options modules

## Progression

This qualification is usually taken alongside other qualifications such as biology, psychology, sport then the university, apprenticeship or employment links are:

- Nursing or Midwifery
- Social Work
- Physiotherapy
- Pastoral Support/Youth Worker
- Teacher
- Teaching Assistant
- Nursery nurse/childminder

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