

# Health and Social Care BTEC

## Who is the course for?

Health and Social Care offers you the chance to explore the subject through practical application developing a logical approach to aspects of human development as well as enhancing your ability to understand principles of health.

The course aims to introduce you to a wide variety of experiences in the health, social care and early year's sectors. The qualification is equivalent to 1 A level and will build and develop the necessary practical skills and understanding to provide learners with a firm grounding in the principles of health and social care, enabling progression into employment or higher level education.

## What does the course involve?

The course is designed to provide you with a broad understanding of health and social care in a variety of different contexts. Class discussion will give you an understanding of the theory, but you will also regularly be putting the theory into practice through placement, working with guest speakers and role-play.

## Modules include:

**Human Lifespan Development** – investigations into the different stages of development and how factors can affect the holistic development. You will be assessed on your understanding of growth and development through the human lifespan, the factors that affect growth and development and the effects of ageing. Exam

**Working in Health and Social Care** – we look at what it is like to work in the health and social care sector, including the roles and responsibilities of workers and organisations. Exam

**Meeting Individual Care Needs** - which starts an in-depth study into the importance of effective communication, whilst ensuring equality of care and the understanding diversity. Coursework

**Physiological Disorders and their Care** - explores the different types of physiological disorders, how they are diagnosed by doctors and the types of appropriate treatment and support that the service user may encounter. You will explore how the disorders affect the body's system and how they function and the effects of this on the health and well-being of the person. Coursework

## Assessment Methods

BTEC Health and Social Care is assessed through a mixture of coursework and exams, which make up 100% of the qualification. If you do the Diploma, there is also a controlled assessment.

## Progression Options

Health and Social Care will help you get ahead in most sectors of Health and Social Care careers and more besides.

Health and Social Care is a useful subject for careers in education, particularly early years and primary school teaching, social work, adult nursing, paediatric nursing, midwifery, bio-medical science, youth work and health promotion.

## Awarding Body

Edexcel (Pearson)