

# Level 3 Diploma in Health & Social Care (Adults)



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## Overview

The Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care is a nationally recognised qualification based on the Health and Social Care National Occupation Standards approved by Skills for Care & Development. The award will confirm knowledge, skills and competence for individuals working with adults and children across all social care settings, such as within residential settings, primary care environments, domiciliary services, day services and supported living and all similar health related disciplines.

## Course content:

The qualification is built on credit values and each unit has a credit rating and to achieve the QCF NVQ Diploma in Health and Social Care Level 3 learners must complete a total of 58 credits, which includes 9 mandatory units along with a choice of optional knowledge and competence units.

## Mandatory Units

- Unit 1: Introduction to Communication in Health & Social Care Settings
- Unit 2: Introduction to Personal Development in Health & Social Care Settings
- Unit 3: Introduction to Equality and Inclusion in Health & Social Care Settings
- Unit 4: Introduction to Duty of Care in Health & Social Care Settings
- Unit 5: Principles of Safeguarding and Protection in Health & Social Care Settings
- Unit 6: The Role of the Health & Social Care Worker
- Unit 7: Implement Person-Centred Approaches in Health & Social Care Settings
- Unit 8: Contribute to Health & Safety in Health & Social Care
- Unit 9: Handle Information in Health & Social Care Settings

The optional knowledge and competence units cover different areas of health and social care such as supporting those with disabilities, learning disabilities or dementia, individuals working with children and young people, infection control and supported living. Learners have the opportunities to take a general qualification in health and social care, or they may follow a specialist pathway in areas such as Dementia or Learning Disabilities

## Learning Pathways

- Generic Pathway – suitable for people who work in the usual care home setting, domiciliary care etc
- Dementia Pathway – suitable for people who work with service users with Dementia
- Learning Difficulties Pathway – suitable for people who work with adult service users with Learning Difficulties

## Entry Requirements

The course is open to everyone. However, candidates must be employed in a workplace relevant to the occupational standards for Health and Social Care to enable them to complete the qualification successfully. Basic skills at level 1 is recommended.

## Assessment

Assessment takes place through evaluation of work-based performance, presenting evidence, witness testimony and questioning. A portfolio of evidence is produced which demonstrates that the candidate can perform to the level described.

## Qualification

Skills for Care Level 3 Diploma in Health & Social Care (Adults)

## Duration of course

6 - 9 Months (Depending on Experience)

## Attendance Options

Flexible ( Depending on work / shift pattern)



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