

Health and Social Care NCFE Level 3 Extended Diploma

Study Mode: Full Time

Is this course right for me?

If you are planning on a career in nursing, midwifery or social work, the Health & Social Care Level 3 Extended Diploma 3 will equip you with the range of skills and knowledge needed to work in the profession.

As well as learning theory in the classroom you will also be expected to undertake a minimum of 100 hours of work experience giving you the opportunity to apply your skills and knowledge in a care setting.

You will also be encouraged to take up voluntary or part time work in a related field which will be a valuable addition to your CV and demonstrate commitment to future employers or be of benefit if you wish to apply for a higher education course.

This will provide you with new skills, and the qualification will enable you to progress to university or get a job in the health and social care sector.

Entry Requirements

For external applicants:

To access this course, you are required to:

- Four or more GCSEs at Grade 4 (C) or above including English and math's*
- Ideally learners will have studied a Level 2 qualification in Health and Social care, but this is not essential.
- Demonstrate how you have previously had good attendance and punctuality and a good attitude to learning
- Prior to enrolment on the course you will also be required to undertake a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check which will be paid for by the college

*Students may be considered in extenuating circumstances following a diagnostic assessment

For internal progression learners (already studying with us):

Learners must be able to demonstrate that they:

- Have successfully completed a relevant course that naturally progresses onto this programme, achieving a good standard
- Have improved their English and maths grades since enrolment
- Have maintained good attendance and punctuality
- Show a consistently positive attitude to learning

What will I learn?

As part of this course, you will learn:

- Empowerment in health and social care
- Protection in health and social care
- Anatomy
- Research skills
- Personal and professional development in health and social care

You will also be required to study a further four units – which will be selected by tutors to meet the needs of the group – such as:

- Medication in health and social care
- Ethics in health and social care
- Technology in health and social care
- Psychology of ageing
- Nutrition
- Public health
- Mental wellbeing
- End of life care

What skills will I gain?

Studying this course you will develop:

- Important vocational skills in communication, health and safety and equality and diversity
- In-depth knowledge of human growth and development through the life stages
- Understanding of the anatomy and physiology of human body systems
- Understanding of the different sociological and psychological approaches that can be used when working in a health and social care setting
- Valuable team working skills by taking part in whole class and small group discussions and presentations
- Research skills to enable you to plan and conduct your own research relating to a health or social care issue and evaluate the success of your outcomes
- Skills to plan, monitor and reflect on your own professional development while on placement

How will I be assessed?

Throughout the course you will be supported by fully qualified teachers who will provide training in health and social care, as well as observe and assess your performance in each unit, check and mark your work and give you regular feedback. They will also support you to develop a portfolio of work and put together your CV or personal statement.

We have excellent feedback from our students and many have gained employment, or progressed to further/higher level courses at the college and then moved on to university.

What can I do next?

The skills and knowledge you will gain on this course will enable you to:

- Work in the health and social care profession
- Progress to a higher education course in the subject

Delivery

Location: City Learning Quarter

Start Date: 07/09/2026

Day:

Time:

Course Fee:

Course Code: CP0012

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