

NCFE CACE Level 1-2 Technical Award in Health and Social Care

Exam Board:
NCFE CACHE

Course description

The Technical Award in Health and Social Care is designed for learners who want an introduction to health and social care that includes a vocational and project-based element. The qualification will appeal to learners who wish to pursue a career in the health and social care sector.

This qualification aims to:

- focus on the study of health and social care
- offer breadth and depth of study, incorporating a key core of knowledge
- provide opportunities to acquire a number of practical and technical skills

The objectives of this qualification are to:

- provide an understanding of health and social care provision and services in the UK
- identify job roles within health and social care and the values that underpin professional practice
- provide an understanding of legislation, policies and procedures in health and social care and their importance for a health and social care practitioner
- promote understanding of human development across the life span
- identify the individual's care needs and understand how these are met through working in partnership with other professionals
- provide an understanding of the purpose of care planning in health and social care to meet the preferences and needs of the individual

Assessment

The qualification consists of 2 assessment methods; an externally-set: non-exam assessment (NEA) and an examined assessment (EA):

NEA	You will be provided with an assignment set by the exam board to complete	Assessment task (coursework) 50% weighting
Exam	You will be tested on all of the content learnt for the NEA	External question paper (exam) 50% weighting

The qualification is graded from Level 1 pass/merit/distinction (L1P/L1M/L1D) to Level 2 pass/merit/distinction/distinction* (L2P/L2M/L2D/L2D*)

Future opportunities:

Studying Health and Social Care can open the door for a career in the caring and medical professions; social care, teaching, nursing and midwifery amongst others. It is great way to understand how to work with people generally and the different skills needed when working in new and challenging environments.

When should I take this subject?

Students can take this as a GCSE optional qualification. This qualification is equivalent to one GCSE.

Other information

This course is academically demanding as assessment is continuous. You need strong literacy skills as all of the work is written-based including the exam. The exam covers a wide area of knowledge. You should be able to meet deadlines and work independently to research information.