



# Health and Social Care

## Why study Health and Social Care?

Health and Social Care is a great course to study if you want to work with people and make a difference in people's lives. The qualification will help you develop independence and confidence in using skills relevant to the sector as well as prepare you for the progression to university courses. Lessons are varied as you will study a combination of coursework and examined units. Activities include discussion, research, practical activities wherever possible to bring the content alive, completing coursework, group work and much more.

## What skills will I gain from studying Health and Social Care?

Health and Social Care helps you to develop the skills and knowledge required to work in Health and Social Care careers. Completing the coursework units will help you to develop skills in research, writing, organisation and referencing. You will also be assessed on practical skills such as communication and collaboration which are needed to succeed within a variety of future careers. In addition, other skills you will develop include creating and presenting information, recommending care and support for individuals and problem-solving health and social care issues for future service users.

## Having studied Health and Social Care what opportunities will be open to me?

This course prepares students for Health Care courses such as nursing, midwifery, working in the ambulance service and counselling; Social Care courses such as social work and youth work and Childcare courses such as teaching and early years qualifications.

## Entry requirements

5 GCSES at grade 4 or above

**Type of Qualification** - Level 3 Alternative Academic Qualification Cambridge Advanced National (Extended Certificate). Qualification to be confirmed in the new year.

**Exam Board** – OCR                      **Specification code/no.** – H125

## Topics covered over the two years:

1. Principles of health and social care- Exam
2. Person-centred approach to care- NEA (coursework)
3. Supporting people with mental health conditions- NEA (coursework)
4. Anatomy and physiology for health and social care- Exam

## \*We will then also cover two of the following NEA (coursework) units:

1. Supporting people with long term physiological conditions
2. Investigating public health
3. Supporting people in relation to sexual health, pregnancy and postnatal health
4. Supporting healthy nutrition and lifestyles

\*This is a new course for 2025 so our optional units have not been finalised yet\*

If you have any questions, then please contact the acting head of department:

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