



HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

What will you study during the course?

The specification in health and social care enable learners to:

- actively engage in the processes of health and social care to develop as effective and independent learners
- understand aspects of personal development, and the health, social care and early years sectors through investigation and evaluation of a range of services and organisations
- develop a critical and analytical approach to problem-solving within the health, social care and early years sectors
- examine issues that affect the nature and quality of human life including an appreciation of diversity and cultural issues.

How will the course be taught?

The course is taught through a wide range of activities including class discussions, group/pair work, interactive games, media video clips, presentations, exam practice, debating and students will improve their literacy through coursework writing. Lessons will involve coursework workshops and taught material.

How will your work be assessed?

Controlled assessment task 60% - Health, Social care and Early Years Provision This unit is internally assessed and externally moderated.

- The range of care needs of major client groups
- The ways people can obtain services and the possible barriers that could prevent people from gaining access to services
- The types of services that exist to meet client group needs and how they are organised
- The principles of care that underpin all care work
- The main work roles and skills of people who provide health, social care and early years services

Written examination 40% - Understanding Personal Development and Relationships

*1 hour written paper; Question Paper: 4 questions Candidates answer **all** questions This unit is externally assessed*

- The stages and pattern of human growth and development
- The different factors that can affect human growth and development
- The development of self-concept and different types of relationships
- Major life changes and sources of support

Where can it lead?

The study of Health and Social Care at GCSE is a unique opportunity and provides an invaluable insight into the key health and social care institutions in society. Students will gain a crucial understanding of the issues that affect the nature and quality of human life including an appreciation of diversity and cultural issues. It also enables students to: develop their awareness of the influences on an individual's health and wellbeing which is paramount in today's world.

Careers related to Health and Social Care include: careers in primary teaching, nursery education, nursing, midwifery, working with special needs children, social care, Public Services, research and many others.