

BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate in Health and Social Care



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Congratulations and Welcome!

BTEC Nationals are widely recognised by industry and higher education as the signature vocational qualification at Level 3. BTEC qualifications are accepted by over 150 UK universities and higher education institutes either on their own or in combination with A Level qualification.

The Health and Social Care Sector

The health and social care sector is made up of two subsections: health care and social care. Health care encompasses all hospital-based activities, medical nursing homes and GP surgeries. The social care sector includes residential nursing care, residential nursing facilities, residential care facilities, domiciliary care and social work. Learners can progress into work within the industry sector and through degree programmes such as nursing, midwifery, social work, physiotherapy, occupational therapy and pharmacy. There are more than 300 distinct career paths within this sector, which is a major employer, employing approximately four million people across the UK.

Who is This Qualification For?

This qualification is equivalent to 1 A Level qualification, introducing the health and social care sector as part of a balanced study programme. It supports access to range of higher education courses if taken alongside other level 3 qualifications.

There is option to achieve 0.5 A Level at the end of Year 12 if you choose not to continue, which requires further discussion with Miss Rowan.

What Will the Qualification Cover?

The course has been designed closely with employers, professional bodies and higher education providers to ensure it supports progression. The course will cover three mandatory units: Human Lifespan Development, Working in Health and Social Care and Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs. In addition to this, learners will also look at Physiological Conditions.

Will the Qualification Support Progression to Further Learning?

The Extended Certificate is normally taken alongside other level 3 qualifications, as part of a two-year programme of learning; enabling learners to have access a wide range of degree level programmes. For example:

- A Levels in Biology and Psychology could lead to a BSc (Hons) in Nursing or Midwifery.
- A Levels in English Literature and Sociology could lead to a BA (Hons) in Social Work.
- A Levels in English Literature and History could lead to a BA (Hons) Primary Education.

However, learners should always check the entry requirements at specific higher education providers as these can vary.

How Does the Qualification Provide Employability Skills?

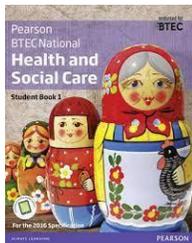
In the BTEC National units there are opportunities for learners to practice developing their employability skills. These skills can be broken down into three main categories:

- ✓ **Cognitive and Problem Solving Skills** – use critical thinking, approach non-routine problems applying expert and creative solutions, use systems and technology.
- ✓ **Intrapersonal Skills** – communicating, working collaboratively, negotiating and influencing, self-presentation.
- ✓ **Interpersonal Skills** – self-management, adaptability and resilience, self-monitoring and development.

Units and Assessment Methods

Year	Unit	Assessment Type	Exam Availability/Deadline
12	Unit 1: Human Lifespan Development	External Exam Paper 1.5 hours	January May/June
12	Unit 5: Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs	Mandatory Coursework Portfolio	May/June
13	Unit 2: Working in Health and Social Care	External Exam Paper 1.5 hours	January May/June
13	Unit 14: Physiological Needs	Coursework Portfolio	May/June

Course Materials



Pearson BTEC National Health and Social Care Student Book 1

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This book contains all units studied over the two-year programme of study.

Other resources will be recommended throughout the qualification. Some resources will be available free of charge electronically through a Microsoft SharePoint with learners.

Transition Work in Preparation for Year 12

Unit 1 Human Lifespan Development Assessment Outcomes

AO1 Demonstrate knowledge of physical, intellectual, emotional and social development across the human lifespan, factors affecting human growth and development and the effects of ageing.

Unit 1 Transition Activity

Choose a celebrity or famous person that you are interested in.

Create a fact file about their developmental areas and achievements from birth through to the end of their life if deceased or to their current life stage and then predict their developmental changes to 80 years of age.

Remember to include the different aspects of development: Physical, Intellectual, Social and Emotional. You might need to research these before you write your fact file. Also remember to cover all the life stages for your chosen celebrity or famous person: Infancy, Childhood, Adolescence, Early Adulthood, Middle Adulthood, Later Adulthood. You can also include their achievements and any impacts they may have had within their life that could have affected their development for examples accidents, illnesses, bereavements, having children, travelling. But you must suggest how this could have affected their developmental areas and if this was positive or negative.

Please write no more than 4 A4 pages using Arial size 12 with 1.5 line spacing.

Remember to include references for your information sources and any images used in a bibliography at the end of your work. (This can be in addition to the 4 A4 pages).

If you have any questions, please email me via erowan@chacademy.co.uk

I look forward to meeting you in September!