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BTEC Health and Social Care



Why should I study BTEC Health and Social Care?



Health and social care is one of the fastest growing sectors in the UK with demand for both health and social care employees continuously rising. This course provides a fantastic opportunity to learn about the physical, intellectual, emotional and social development of people, from infancy to old age. It provides valuable insight into roles within the health and social care sector, the impact of life events on people within our society, and the types of support available. If you are considering a career within this sector or a career that involves working with people, or are just interested to learn more about human development or health and wellbeing, this course will provide you with information you need to know.

What will I study?



The BTEC Tech Award Health and Social Care gives learners the opportunity to develop applied knowledge in areas including:

- the life stages and key characteristics in the physical, intellectual, emotional and social (PIES) development classifications and the different factors that can affect an individual's growth and development
- different life events and how individuals can adapt or be supported through changes caused by life events
- health and social care conditions, how they can be managed by the individual and the different health and social care services that are available
- the barriers and obstacles an individual may encounter and how these can be overcome
- the skills, attributes and values required to give care and how these benefit the individual
- how factors can affect an individual's current health and wellbeing • how physiological indicators and an individual's lifestyle choices determine physical health
- the use of the person-centred approach
- recommendations and actions to improving health and wellbeing
- the barriers or obstacles individuals may face when following recommendations and the support available to overcome.

How will I be assessed?

Assessment Structure



- Component 1 - Human Lifespan Development – assessed internally through an assessment set by the exam board during Year 10 (30% of final grade)
- Component 2 - Health and Social Care Services and Values – assessed internally through an assessment set by the exam board early in Year 11 (30% of final grade)
- Component 3 – Health and Wellbeing – written examination taken in May of Year 11 (40% of final grade)

As this is a BTEC course, the achievable grades are Level 1 Pass, Level 1 Merit, Level 1 Distinction, Level 2 Pass, Level 2 Merit, Level 2 Distinction, Level 2 Distinction*. The course is the equivalent in value to a GCSE.

Which skills will I develop and use?



This course will give you the opportunity to develop knowledge and technical skills in a practical learning environment. You will also develop key skills relevant to the health and social care sector such as research techniques and how to measure someone's physical health. You will also develop your written communication skills as you create health and wellbeing plans for an individual with specific needs

How will I be able to use this subject in my future career?



About 3 million people work in health and social care. Health care roles include doctors, pharmacists, nurses, midwives and healthcare assistants, while social care roles include care assistants, occupational therapists, counsellors and administrators. Together, they account for nearly one in ten of all paid jobs in the UK. Demand for both health and social care is expected to rise, so they will continue to play a key role in UK society and the demand for people to carry out these vital career roles.