



Level 3 BTEC National Extended Certificate - Health & Social Care

Why study Level 3 Health and Social Care?

Health and social care at Cardinal Newman is continually adapting with the changes within society. We cover a wide range of topics which provides you with knowledge and understanding of the diversity within the health and social care sector.

There are many career paths that are open to students who take on health and social care and also the opportunity to develop practical knowledge in the form of gaining a work placement outside of the classroom. We also work closely with the NHS academy who offer our students the chance to complete their online training programme for those looking to enter the health profession. You will be supported by your health and social care teachers when undertaking these additional opportunities ensuring you have access to resources that are specific to your requirements.

Entry Requirements

You do not need to have studied health and social care at a GCSE level as all knowledge from KS4 is refreshed throughout the units covered across the two years in sixth form.

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What will the course involve?

The Level 3 course will be a 2 year course with assessments taking place across the entirety of the two years. There are two exam units, with coursework units completed in and around these.

The written examination units make up 60% of your overall grade and cover a range of topics which are listed below.

Exam units

- ◆ Human Lifespan and Development
- ◆ Working in Health and Social Care

Coursework units

The coursework units you will complete make up the remaining 40% of your final grade, where we expect each student to achieve a distinction in each of the units completed. In order to make the course suitable for students hoping to go into any area within health and social care these also cover a wide range of topic areas, some of which are listed below.

- ◆ Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs
- ◆ Physiological Disorders and their Care

POSSIBLE CAREER OPTIONS

Use it to study a related degree at University for example:

- Criminal Scientist
- Counselling
- Sociologist
- Radiography
- Adult Nursing
- Biomedical Science
- Children's Nursing
- Healthcare Practice
- Working with children and young people
- Social work
- Paramedic science
- Nutrition
- Midwifery
- Occupational Therapy

Or use it to get onto an Apprenticeship for example:

- Dental Nursing
- Healthcare science assistant
- Maternity and Paediatric Support
- Nursing degree
- Pharmacy services assistant

