



## Health and Social Care

For students looking to pursue a career in Health and Social Care, or to use it as a stepping stone to the BTEC Level 3 or A level in Health and Social Care course, the BTEC level 1/2 Technical award is an excellent choice.

You will learn about the different physical, intellectual, social and emotional needs individuals have and how these needs can be met; how to communicate with a wide variety of people from all cultures and backgrounds. The course will also allow the students to learn about different care values which are needed in a health and social care working environment.

### Course Content

The Tech Award gives learners the opportunity to develop sector-specific knowledge and skills in a practical learning environment. The main focus is on three areas, which cover:

- Skills and processes, such as interpreting data to assess an individual's health, and designing a plan to improve their health and wellbeing
- Attitudes, namely the care values that are vitally important in the sector, and the opportunity to practise applying them
- Knowledge that underpins the effective use of skills, processes and attitudes, including human growth and development, health and social care services, and factors affecting people's health and wellbeing.

This course builds on and uses the knowledge and skills you learn in your GCSEs, such as English. It will complement the more theoretical aspects covered by GCSE Biology or GCSE Psychology by allowing you to apply your knowledge and skills practically in a vocational context.

### Examples of Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Education in Health and Social Care include:

- Students have the opportunity to study cultural factors that affect development
- Students have the opportunity to study what is meant by a diverse culture, and the meeting of needs of different cultures
- Students have the opportunity to study how different factors of life experiences affect development
- Students have the opportunity to study how different social, emotional physical and intellectual factors affect development in the different life stages

### Assessment

The qualification consists of three components that give learners the opportunity to develop broad knowledge and understanding of health and social care at Levels 1 and 2.

Components 1 and 2 are assessed through internal assessment. Internal assessment for these components has been designed to relate to achievement of application of the conceptual underpinning for the sector through realistic tasks and activities.

There is one external assessment, Component 3, which provides the main synoptic assessment for the qualification. Component 3 builds directly on Components 1 and 2 and enables learning to be brought together and related to a real-life situation.

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