



GCSE Health and Social Care

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Examination board **EDEXCEL**

Course code **4720**

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Course description

This is a new course. It focuses on the values of caring effectively for people, the rights and laws that are involved, and the impact of these services on different people. You will learn about health and care services as well as social care and social work.

There are two units:

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| <p>Unit 1
Health, Social
Care and
Children's
Services</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Who needs care services and why? [babies/children/adolescent/ adults/older people/disabled people] ▪ What types of care services are provided to meet with client group needs? ▪ How can people get access to care services, and what can prevent people from being able to use the services they need? ▪ What does care work involve, and what skills do care practitioners need to perform their work roles? |
| <p>Unit 2
Human Growth
and
Development</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ How will individuals grow and develop during each stage of their life? ▪ What factors affect human growth and development and how can they influence an individual's health, well-being and life opportunities? ▪ What factors influence the development of a person's self-concept? ▪ What support is available during life events? |

Entry requirements

Good progress in Key Stage 3 English.

Key skills

Knowledge and understanding and developing a critical analysis when problem-solving within the health, social care and early years sectors.

Cost

Students may choose to purchase course textbooks.

Course textbook £20
ISBN 978-1843033646

It is intended that trips will be organised to visit different care sectors. These may incur travel costs.

Assessment

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| 60% | Unit 1: Controlled assessment |
| 40% | Unit 2: 1 hour 15 minute examination paper |

Careers

Health and social care is one of the largest employment sectors in the UK. Jobs related to medical care, nursing or social work. Also useful for careers in law or radiology.

Further education opportunities

You could go on to take either BTEC or A Level Health and Social Care. This course also develops the skills needed for any Humanities A Level course.

Enrichment & Support

The intention is to have a number of speakers from different sectors and to arrange a trip to a support centre.