

Purpose Statement

Open Awards Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate (RQF)

The primary purpose of this qualification is to give learners the introductory skills, knowledge and behaviours expected of specific job roles in the adult social care sector. The qualification is based on the 15 Care Certificate standards that should be covered if you are 'new to care' and should form part of a robust induction programme.

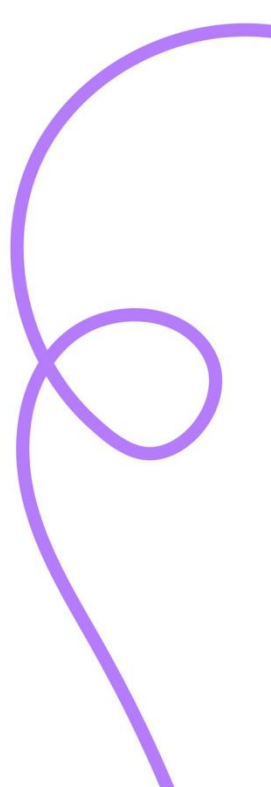
Who is it for?

This qualification is primarily designed for anybody 'new' to working in the adult social care sectors, and should form part of a robust induction with their employer. Healthcare staff may also choose to access the qualification.

The qualification may also be undertaken by individuals who have been working in the health and social care sectors but want to formally recognise their knowledge and skills.

What does this qualification cover?

The qualification will take 360 hours to complete. You will need to complete and achieve 15 mandatory units. The units content covers essential areas of competency which are:

- Understand Own Role in a Social Care Setting
 - Personal Development in a Social Care Setting
 - Duty of Care
 - Equality, Diversity, Inclusion, and Human Rights
 - Work in a Person-centred Way
 - Communication in a Social Care Setting
 - Privacy and Dignity
 - Nutrition and Hydration in a Social Care Setting
 - Awareness of Mental Health and Dementia
 - Adult Safeguarding
 - Safeguarding Children
 - Health, Safety, and Principles of Basic Life Support
 - Handling Information in a Social Care Setting
 - Infection Prevention and Control (IPC)
 - An Awareness of Learning Disability and Autism
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What are the entry requirements?

This qualification is suitable for learners aged 16+. Learners will work in adult social care and have responsibility for providing person-centred, values-driven care and support for those accessing the service. They will typically work under the direction of their manager or supervisor.

What are the assessment methods?

You will complete a portfolio of evidence which will include a range of evidence such as;

- Written assignments
- Examinations
- Observation of performance
- Questioning (written or oral)
- Practical Activities
- Photographs or videos
- Personal statements
- Reflective logs
- Project work
- Witness testimonies
- Group discussion

What are the progression opportunities?

By achieving this qualification, you will be able to demonstrate you have the knowledge, skills and behaviours needed to undertake roles in the adult social care sector.

You may choose to progress to a higher level qualification or apprenticeship, including:

- Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care
- Level 3 Adult Care Worker apprenticeship

Who supported the development of this qualification?

This qualification has been designed to meet the Skills for Care qualification specification and the Department for Health and Social Care criteria.

