

# BTEC HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE



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Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate & Extended Certificate in Health and Social Care

Entry Requirements: Five Grade 'C's, or above, at GCSE Level, including English or Level 2 pass in H&S/Care

## Course Description

This course explores the underlying features and aspects of the health and social care industry. You will gain the knowledge and understanding of how health and social care is provided in the UK and the variety of job roles that exist within this sector. You will also learn about the values, qualities and skills needed by care workers and how to prevent discriminatory practice within care professions. Specific units focus on human development, physiological disorders, nutrition and health and safety.

### Method(s) of Assessment

Students can study this as a 4-unit Extended Certificate or an 8-unit Diploma course. The shorter course is broadly equivalent to an A level and the other two A levels. All students will study a unit on human lifespan development which is assessed through an external written exam.

### Method(s) of Assessment Continued ...

Unit 5 requires students to explore how health and social care providers meet individual needs. This is internally assessed through a variety of case study scenarios and is marked by the teacher.

Students on the Diploma course will also study two extra units that focus on Public Health and Safe Practices. In the second year all students will study a unit which focuses on working in health and social care. This unit is externally assessed through a written exam. They will then learn about physiological disorders and the care that is provided for those who suffer from them.

Those following the Diploma course will also complete an independent research unit which is externally assessed and a final coursework unit on Nutrition.

## Progression

This course is for students who wish to progress to university to follow a career path within a health and social care profession. It is **not** suitable for those who wish to follow a career in childcare and early years' services.

