**Level 2 Health and Social Care: Principles and Contexts**

**Preparing to Teach CPD – October 2019**

**Delegate questions**

| **Question** | **Answer** |
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| Do we need centre approval to run this qualification? | Yes, if you wish to deliver one or more of our qualifications you will need to apply for centre approval. You will find an application form and guidance document at the link below:  <https://www.healthandcarelearning.wales/centres-training-providers/> |
| Do delivery staff need assessor qualifications to deliver this qualification? | No, delivery staff do not need to have specific assessor qualifications to deliver this course as there is no assessed practice element. Please see page 28 of the specification for further details.  <https://www.healthandcarelearning.wales/qualifications/level-2-health-and-social-care-principles-and-contexts/> |
| Should we enter learners for the January exam when they have only had one term of teaching? | Learners should be given the opportunity to sit the exam in January if you feel that they are ready to attempt this assessment. |
| What is the timescale for the case study? | Assignment 1 case study – candidates are allowed six hours to complete this task.  Assignment 2 case study – candidates are allowed four hours to complete this task. |
| Are there any restrictions on placement providers? | Work placements must be within the health and social care sector. Primary schools and nurseries - unless special educational needs schools (SENs) – should not be used. |
| How is this qualification graded? | This qualification is graded Pass, Merit and Distinction. |
| What is the deadline for the non-examination assessment (NEA)? | The NEAs (Assignments 1 and 2) are Internally marked by the centre and the marks submitted for moderation by 5 May each year. |
| How are the NEAs released? | Assignment 1 will be available from [WJEC’s secure website](https://www.wjecservices.co.uk/login.asp) (you will need a login and password from your exams officer to access this site) on the first Monday in March each year. |
| If candidates sit the on-screen exam are their marks given immediately? | No, unlike the Core multiple choice exam, this exam requires extended written responses which need to be marked so marks are not given immediately but will be available on results day in August. |
| If two members of staff are delivering this course, should they teach a unit each or team-teach Unit 1 – as the exam is in January – followed by Unit 2? | This would be up to individual centres to decide. We would recommend that Unit 1 is delivered first, to prepare for the exam which is available in January and can then be resat in the summer series, if required. |
| What resources will be provided? Will there be lesson plans and schemes of work? | There are many different resources available such as guidance for teaching, sample assessment materials and exemplar materials. As they become available, past papers and additional exemplars will be provided.  Schemes of work and lesson plans are not provided. There is a suggested programme of study available for both units in the guidance for teaching.  A large selection of electronic resources is also available for use both within the classroom or as part of a flipped learning programme.  <https://www.healthandcarelearning.wales/qualifications/level-2-health-and-social-care-principles-and-contexts/> |
| Will there be a textbook to support delivery? | As there is a large selection of electronic resources, there are currently no plans to produce a textbook. |
| Looking at the suite of qualifications, what progression routes are available to learners? | This qualification supports progression to further learning/ training and/or qualifications, including:   * Level 3 Certificate and Diploma in Health and Social Care: Principles and Contexts * GCE Health and Social Care, and Childcare * Level 2 Health and Social Care: Practice (Adults) * Level 3 Health and Social Care: Practice (Adults) * Level 3 Health and Social Care: Practice (Children and Young People) * Level 2 Children’s Care Play, Learning and Development: Practice and Theory * Level 3 Children’s Care Play, Learning and Development: Practice and Theory * Apprenticeships in Health and Social Care. |
| If candidates fail the Unit 1 exam, can they resit? | Yes, if learners fail the exam in January, they are able to resit in June. The highest mark the candidate achieves will count towards the final grade. |
| What should the entry requirements be? | As an awarding body, WJEC does not set entry requirements for this qualification. Entry requirements for Years 12/13 vary across centres in Wales; therefore, this would have to be a centre decision. |
| Do we have to teach the Core alongside this qualification? | It is strongly recommended that learners have completed or are currently undertaking the Health and Social Care: Core. |
| Are candidates able to take notes/prior research into the NEA? | For Assignment 2, candidates are allowed to take a copy of their Sector Engagement and Work Placement Record and up to six sides (three pages) of A4 of additional notes into the assessment environment. Notes may be handwritten or word-processed. These notes should be in the candidate’s own words and must relate specifically to the candidate’s sector engagement activities, including their work placement. Notes **must not** include pre-prepared answers to the tasks.  All notes used by the candidate must be retained by the centre and must be submitted for review as part of the moderation process. |