

GCSE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE AND CHILDCARE (SINGLE AND DOUBLE AWARD)

Why choose GCSE Health and Social Care and Childcare (Single and Double Award)?

The City & Guilds/WJEC consortium GCSE in Health and Social Care and Childcare is suitable for you if you are aged 14-16 and are interested in learning about the development and care of individuals throughout the life cycle from conception to later adulthood. There are no previous learning requirements for this qualification.

It is suitable if you have achieved a Level 1 qualification or if you have no previous knowledge of the children's care, play, learning and development sectors. It will equip you with knowledge, understanding and skills related to the development and care of individuals throughout the life cycle from conception to later adulthood.

You will have the opportunity to develop your understanding of influences on human growth, development, behaviour and well-being. You will also gain an understanding of the social, physical, emotional, and cultural needs of people who use care and support services, and recognise that each individual has a unique blend of abilities and needs. You will gain an understanding of how service provision in Wales supports the development and well-being of individuals, to be able to make informed decisions now and in later life.

What will I study?

This specification has been designed to include contemporary issues in relation to the provision of an ethical and sustainable health and social care and childcare system in Wales. Active learning and personalisation are promoted by giving you opportunities to investigate care issues and topics of your own choice. The subject content and assessment

requirements are designed to ensure you develop an appropriate breadth and depth of knowledge, understanding and skills in health and social care, and childcare.

What skills will I develop?

By studying Health and Social Care and Childcare, you will be able to:

- develop and apply knowledge, understanding and skills to contemporary issues in a range of health and social care and childcare contexts
- actively engage in the study of health and social care and childcare to develop as effective and independent learners, and as critical and reflective thinkers with enquiring minds
- appreciate a range of perspectives on the impacts of health and social care and childcare services on wider society
- consider how health and social care and childcare practice should be ethical and support a sustainable health and care system
- develop and apply skills relevant to health and social care and childcare, including using and interpreting data
- develop an awareness of career pathways available within the health and social care and childcare sector.

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How will I be assessed?

Single Award		
Unit 1: Human growth, development and well-being will be assessed through a written examination.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 hour 30 minutes 40% of Single Award qualification (20% of Double Award qualification) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 80 marks either taken on-screen or as a written paper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a range of question types all questions are compulsory
Unit 2: Promoting and maintaining health and well-being will be assessed through non-examination assessment: marked by your teacher, externally moderated by WJEC.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> approximately 25 hours 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60% of Single Award qualification (30% of Double Award qualification) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 120 marks
Task 1: Service Provision <ul style="list-style-type: none"> approximately 10 hours 40% of the marks a service provision investigation which will assess your knowledge, understanding and skills in relation to health and social care and childcare service provision locally and nationally 	Task 2: Health Promotion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> approximately 15 hours 60% of the marks a task which assesses your knowledge, understanding and skills in relation to promoting and maintaining health and well-being. 	
Double Award		
Units 1 and 2, plus:		
Unit 3: Health and social care and childcare in the 21st century will be assessed through a written examination.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 hour 30 minutes 20% of Double Award qualification 80 marks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> either taken on-screen or as a written paper a range of question types 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> all questions are compulsory
Unit 4: Promoting and supporting health and well-being to achieve positive outcomes will be assessed through non-examination assessment: marked by your teacher, externally moderated by WJEC.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> approximately 25 hours 30% of Double Award qualification 120 marks 	An activity to meet a need This task assesses your knowledge, understanding and skills in relation to meaningful activities to meet a specific need of a chosen target group, and which helps to promote self-identity, self-worth, sense of security or resilience.	

Careers with GCSE Health and Social Care and Childcare

This specification provides a coherent, satisfying and worthwhile course of study for you even if you do not progress to further study in this subject. It provides a suitable foundation for the study of Health and Social Care and Childcare at AS or A level, in addition to providing a suitable foundation for a range of Level 2 or Level 3 qualifications within the Health and Social Care and Childcare suite. It will

also help you make informed decisions about a wide range of career pathways. It has been designed to include contemporary issues in relation to the provision of an ethical and sustainable health and social care and childcare system in Wales, and to enable you to make informed decisions about further learning opportunities or continuing into related career choices.