



Adaptations to the assessment of the Level 2 Health and Social Care: Principles and Contexts qualification in 2021/22

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The Level 2 Health and Social Care: Principles and Contexts qualification is designed as a one-year qualification. There is no requirement for learners to have previously completed a health and social care qualification and therefore learners starting their qualification in September 2021 should not be disadvantaged by any disruption they may have experienced in 2020/21.

In response to the on-going disruption caused by the Covid-19 pandemic and recognising that the health and social care sector is likely to continue to be affected in 2021/22, we have adapted the assessment requirements for 2021/22.

We appreciate the difficulties in planning for 2021/22 delivery and assessment in an ever-changing environment. The adaptations outlined below will be kept under review throughout the 2021/22 year and will be revised should the situation deteriorate.

Adaptations to assessment in 2021/2022

Unit 1: Promoting health and well-being throughout the life stages

External examination (40%)

There are no changes to the assessment of this unit.

This assessment is available in January and Summer 2022.

Candidates will be given two resit opportunities for this unit. This means that candidates have three opportunities in total.

This assessment is available in January and June 2022. Candidates who wish to resit again can resit in January or June 2023.

Unit 2: Health and social care to support outcome-focused provision for person-centred care

Internal non-examination assessment (60%)

Assignment 1

There is no change to this assignment.

A choice of two case studies will be available to centres on the first Monday in March 2022.

Assignment 2

Candidates will **not** be required to complete Assignment 2: Work placement and sector engagement.

Work placement

The mandatory requirement for learners to experience a 5-day **work placement** will be removed for 2021/22.

The removal of the requirement for learners to experience 5-day work placement will allow mitigate the risk that centres cannot secure access to suitable placements.

Centres are encouraged to provide **sector engagement** opportunities to learners where possible and to consider providing block work placements later in the academic year where it is safe and practicable to do so. These activities are of considerable value to learners and support progression to further learning however, we fully appreciate that the ability to support these opportunities to learners will depend on a number of factors including any on-going disruption caused by the Covid-19 pandemic and the willingness and ability of employers and organisations to host placements.