



NCFE CACHE Level 3 Applied General certificate in Health and Social Care (1 x A-Level equiv.)

Why study Health and Social Care?

The NCFE CACHE Level 3 Applied General Certificate in Health and Social Care aims to provide an introduction to the healthcare sector. It is for students who are interested in learning about the health and social care sector as part of a balanced study programme. Taken alongside other Level 3 courses such as Biology, Psychology or PE, Health and Social Care can lead to degree courses in disciplines such as nursing, medicine, education or sport studies.

What is the course structure?

The qualification is equivalent in size to 1 A-Level and is designed to occupy one-third of a typical study programme, which could include other vocational or academic qualifications such as BTEC or A Levels.

The following are mandatory topics relevant across the health and social care sector:

Functions of Health and Social Care – internally assessed – students explore health and social care provision and the different services in statutory, private and voluntary provision

Human Growth and Development - internally assessed – students will investigate the stages of physical, intellectual, emotional and social development from conception through infancy, childhood, adolescence and adulthood.

Empowerment in Health and Social Care - internally assessed – students will focus on the importance of empowering individuals and the role of advocacy.

Health Education - internally assessed – students will cover the impact of lifestyle choices on health and well-being and will delve into public health issues.

Anatomy and Physiology for Health and Social Care - internally assessed – Students will understand the structure and functions of the organ systems in the human body.

Students will also study optional units as outlined below:

Year 12

Unit 1 – Functions of Health and Social Care

Unit 2 – Human Growth and Development

Examination at the end of Year 12

Year 13

Unit 3 – Empowerment in Health and Social Care

Unit 4 – Health Education

Unit 5 – Anatomy and Physiology for Health and Social Care

Controlled Extended Assessment at the end of Year 13

Which activities will I be engaged in during the course?

The 5 units are internally assessed through coursework set and marked by the subject teachers. There is one examination and one Controlled Extended Assessment, both of these are set and marked by the examination board. **There are also 50 work placement hours to be completed** across the 2 years of study.



How can I prepare for the course?

The closest text book for this qualification is:

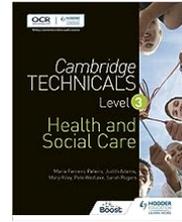
Wyatt, Wedlake, Peterio, Rasheed. Cache Level 3 Technical Extended Diploma Health and Social Care. Hodder Education



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Other recommended reading and preparatory material here.

Peteiro, Adams et al. Cambridge Technicals Level 3 Health and Social Care.
Hodder Education



Further information: Mrs Sharla Cooke (Head of Health and Social Care)

How can I prepare for the course?

There are no specific textbooks linked to this course; however, please use the linked revision guide as a source to make sure you have covered any GCSE gaps before you start the course.

<https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/secondary-books/gcse/science/combined-science/sahr46-gcse-combined-science-aqa-revision>

SENECA – Revision of GCSE topics in Chemistry, Physics and Biology:

www.senecalearning.com

S-cool – resources for many topics covered by this unit

<http://www.s-cool.co.uk/>

GCSE POD - Revision of GCSE topics in Chemistry, Physics and Biology

<https://gcsepod.com/>

Biochemical Society – resources for teaching concepts at Level 3

<http://www.biochemistry.org/Education/Teachers.asp>

Further information: Mr Chris Stuart (Head of Science)