BTEC Level 3 National Health and Social Care

Subject Leader: Ms T Sumner

Syllabus: Diploma

Course Specification: Level 3

Course Requirements

Grade Merit or higher in Level 2 Health and Social Care or 5 GCSE grade 4 or above including English and Mathematics.

Year 1

Unit 1 - Human lifespan development – Written exam externally marked – Learners cover physical, intellectual, emotional, and social development across the human lifespan and the factors affecting development and the effects of aging.

Unit 7 – Principles of Safe Practice in Health and Social Care – assignment set (internally assessed) Learners will explore how working practices promote safety and wellbeing.

Unit 8 – Promoting Public Health – assignment set (internally assessed) Learners will understand how public health is promoted throughout the world.

Unit 14 – Physiological disorders and their care. – assignment set (internally assessed) – Learners will explore different types of physiological disorders, how they are diagnosed and the types of appropriate treatment and the support that service users may encounter.

Year 2

Unit 2 – Working in Health and Social Care – Written exam externally marked. Learners explore what it is like to work in the Health and Social Care sector, including roles and responsibilities of workers and organisations.

Unit 4 – Enquiries into Current Research in Health and Social Care.- Written exam externally marked.

Unit 5 – Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs – assignment set (internally assessed). Learners focus on the principles and practicalities that underpin meeting individuals care and support needs.

Unit 10 – Sociological Perspectives – assignment set (internally assessed). Learners will study the different approaches that sociologists have used to explain health and social care issues

Assessment Information

3 written exams – externally assessed/marked, plus 5 internally set tasks (coursework assignments) – internally assessed.

Future Pathways

Career in the health and social care sector – for example – midwife, nurse, paramedic, teacher, police officer, nursery assistant, day care assistant etc.

Entry to Higher Education – for example - degree in nursing, midwifery, teaching etc.



