

## 2026-27 Course Details

# Level 3 BTEC National Health and Social Care AAQ



This course helps students who wish to enter the UK's biggest employment sector. It helps students to understand healthcare, and is ideal for pupils considering a career in Nursing, Physiotherapy, Social Work, Midwifery, Dental Nursing, Occupational Health providers, Counsellors, Therapists and many more.

Students will develop their knowledge of the healthcare sector by exploring Human Growth and Development, Safe Environments in Health & Social Care, Human Biology and Health & Principles of Health and Social Care Practice.

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

- Apply for entry level care positions.
- Understand more about the UK's largest employment sector.
- Apply for nursing, radiography, midwifery and other healthcare sector degrees.

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### Qualities and qualifications needed

Students are required to have a grade 5 minimum in English. Other circumstances or teacher recommendations will be considered.

Students will need to display a range of skills including interpretation, justification and analysis. They will need to demonstrate that they can understand barriers to care and problem solve effectively.

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### How will the course be assessed?

Students have two internally assessed units and two examined units (one in Year 12 and one in Year 13)



### **Course Content**

Students cover one internally assessed unit and one externally assessed unit per year.

1. Human Lifespan and Development (Exam)
2. Safe Environment in Health and Social Care (internally assessed)
3. Human Biology and Health (Exam)
4. Principles of Health and Social Care (internally assessed).



### **Examinations**

Internal assessments which are centrally assigned.

Two examinations: one in Year 12 and one in Year 13.

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### **Methods of curriculum delivery**

- Guided research
  - Inquiry-based learning
  - Demonstration
  - Practical methods of study
  - Discussion and evaluation of case studies
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