



Prince Henry's
Grammar School

SIXTH FORM

BTEC Health and Social Care

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Why study Health and Social Care?

Health and Social Care is an engaging and challenging course, designed to expose learners to the skills and knowledge required by healthcare and social work professionals in a variety of jobs and sectors. It is a subject which will appeal to students who:

- Enjoy studying a subject which has practical vocational applications and is relevant to their lives, experiences and potential career aspirations
- Enjoy finding the answers and applying their knowledge – not just being taught it for an exam
- Want an opportunity to investigate and research



Course content and Assessment

The Level 3 **Extended Certificate** in Health and Social Care is equivalent to 1 A Level.

The course comprises 4 units:

- Human Lifespan Development (written exam)
- Working in Health & Social Care (written exam)
- Meeting Individual Care & Support Needs (coursework)
- Physiological Perspectives (coursework)

The Level 3 **Diploma** in Health & Social Care is equivalent to 2 A Levels.

The course comprises 8 units:

- Human Lifespan Development (written exam)
- Working in Health & Social Care (written exam)
- Enquiries into Current Research in Health & Social Care (Externally assessed coursework)
- Meeting Individual care & Support Needs (Coursework)
- Work Experience in Health & Social Care (coursework includes work placement of at least 100 hours) or Nutritional Health
- Principles of Safe Practice in Health & Social Care (coursework)
- Promoting Public Health (coursework)
- Physiological Perspectives (coursework)

Progression Routes

Level 3 BTEC courses such as Health and Social Care qualify for UCAS points at the same level as academic A Levels and this gives students a wide choice of progression options into further study at college or university, training or relevant employment in the chosen sector.

This qualification could lead to careers in:

- Nursing
- Social Work
- Health services
- Community work
- Nursery teaching
- Care work

Entry Requirements

It is not a requirement to have studied Health & Social Care at KS4. Students who have a keen interest and are enthusiastic and hardworking will be successful on this course. As a minimum, students should have 4 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, preferably including Mathematics and English