

Residential Childcare

Level 3 Diploma

Learners must achieve 61 credits.

53 credits must be achieved from mandatory units and also must also complete a minimum of 3 optional units to achieve a minimum of 8 credits.

Mandatory Units

- Understand How to Support Positive Outcomes for Children and Young People in Residential Childcare.
- Assessment and Planning With Children and Young People in Residential Childcare.
- Understand How to Support Children and Young People Who Have Experienced Harm or Abuse.
- Promote Effective Communication and Information Handling in Residential Childcare Settings.
- Support Children and Young People in Residential Childcare to Manage Their Health.
- Participate in Teams to Benefit Children and Young People in Residential Childcare.
- Understand the Development of Children and Young People in Residential Childcare.
- Engage in Professional Development in Residential Childcare Settings.
- Support Risk Management in Residential Childcare.
- Support Group Living in Residential Childcare.
- Support Children and Young People in Residential Childcare to Achieve Their Learning Potential.
- Support Attachment and Positive Relationships for Children and Young People in Residential Childcare.
- Support the Rights, Diversity and Equality of Children and Young People in Residential Childcare.
- Support the Well-Being and Resilience of Children and Young People in Residential Childcare.
- Understand How to Safeguard and Protect Children and Young People in Residential Childcare.
- Support the Development of Socially Aware Behaviour With Children and Young People in Residential Childcare.

Optional Units

- Support Use of Medication in Social Care Settings
- Understand the Care System and Its Impact on Children and Young People.
- Understand the Youth Justice System as it Relates to Residential Childcare.
- Work With the Families of Children and Young People in Residential Childcare.
- Support Young People Leaving Care.
- Understand Support for Young People With Complex Disabilities or Conditions Making the Transition into Adulthood.
- Understand Residential Childcare for Children and Young People With Complex Disabilities or Conditions.

Who is it for?

This qualification is part of the new children's homes regulations which came into force in April 2015. It has replaced the Level 3 Diploma for the Children and Young People's Workforce (Social Care Pathway) as the required qualification for those working in children's homes. All new starts must be registered on the new Residential Childcare qualification from April 2015.

This qualification will develop the knowledge and skills needed when working with children and young people in a residential childcare setting, including an understanding of child and young person development.

The qualification enables the learner to gain essential skills and knowledge to support children and young people in residential childcare settings, including wellbeing and resilience, positive relationships and attachments, health and safety, sexual exploitation, communication, positive behaviour and positive outcomes.

It also offers the learner the opportunity to cover optional topics which are particularly suited to specific residential childcare and respite care settings.

Entry Requirements

There are no previous qualifications for this course. Learners should be:

- At least 18 Years old.
- Will need to be working, volunteering or on practical placement in a residential childcare setting, as they need to show competence in both knowledge and skills.

Funding

Diploma cost between £800 & £1500.

End Point Assessment

All units will be assessed using standard methods: coursework, portfolio of evidence, practical demonstration/assignment.

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