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501/1182/6 City & Guilds Level 2 Certificate in Health Informatics

OVERVIEW

What does this qualification cover?

The qualification provides learners with the skills and knowledge to deal with data/information within a health environment and in accordance with appropriate governance. It covers the skills and knowledge for dealing with paper or electronic data/information in the following key areas;

- Input and handling of data
- Validation and quality assurance of data
- Production of reports from a variety of sources
- Dissemination of information including all aspects around its storage, security and disclosure.

This will involve tasks that are straightforward or routine, whether this is using paper-based or electronic data, and provide the confidence and competence to handle some elements or tasks that are unfamiliar and undertake further learning

There are four mandatory units;

- Essentials in health informatics
- Research information
- Organise and report data
- Store and retrieve information

And a selection of optional units to improve learner skills and knowledge in a digital environment that include;

- IT security for users
- IT communications fundamentals
- Data management software
- Specialist software – for use with specific medical software
- Bespoke software – for use with software developed for areas such as patient management, prescription sourcing, etc.

This is a Framework qualification.



Who could take this qualification?

The City & Guilds Level 2 Certificate in Health Informatics has been developed for those with little or no experience in working with data/information within a health environment, especially where the data/information is held digitally, and seeking to gain an entry level position on the Health Informatics Career Framework (HICF) and further develop their own skills and knowledge. It is also ideal for those currently working in the area to gain recognition of their competence and allow for further development toward career progression.

This qualification is suitable for a wide age range starting at 16.

What could this qualification lead to?

Will the qualification lead to employment?

This qualification could provide an underpinning of some basic skills and knowledge of Health Informatics that may provide access to the HICF in roles such as;

- Data entry clerks
- Clinical coder and clinical coding support worker
- Ward clerks
- Information assistants
- Health records clerks
- Receptionists

Will the qualification support progression to further learning?

The City & Guilds Level 2 Certificate in Health Informatics provides the underpinning knowledge and skills that would allow a learner to extend their competency in further areas at the same level using:

- 600/3467/1 City & Guilds Level 2 Extended Certificate in Health Informatics
- Intermediate Apprenticeship in Health Informatics

Or gain or improve their skills by undertaking a higher level qualification, such as;

- 601/0694/3 City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Health Informatics
- Advanced Apprenticeship in Health Informatics

Using this size of qualification

While there is an Award and Extended Certificate size of this qualification at this level, this size is an introduction to the area of Health Informatics that allows a learner to gain extra skills using data/information in a digital environment and is for those looking to enter the HICF or to use as CPD for those with no formal qualifications working in the Health Service.

The Award and Extended Certificate are appropriate for the following usage;

- Award: Provides the basic skills and knowledge as an introduction to Health Informatics for those looking to gain entry to the HICF or as part of a Continued Professional Development programmes.
- Extended Certificate: This was developed for use in the Intermediate Apprenticeship in Health Informatics and provides skills and knowledge for working in a health service environment, gaining health and safety, personal development and team working skills.

Who supports this qualification?

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