

## **Purpose statement**

The following purpose statement is for the:

City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care (603/2662/1) (England only)

Area	Description
OVERVIEW	
What does this qualification cover?	The Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care is a competence based qualification which means that it covers the knowledge and skill that are required to work in a particular job role, such as senior care assistant or senior support worker in adult care. This means that you must be working in a role where you have some level of responsibility for or supervision of others or for leading on aspects of work within your work setting. This qualification consists of mandatory units covering
	core knowledge and skills competencies with optional specialisms which can be combined in flexible ways to reflect the real working context of different learners.
	The content of the mandatory units covers person centred approaches, communication, personal development, equality and inclusion, handling information, duty of care, responsibilities of the role, safeguarding, and, health, safety and wellbeing.
	The assessment of the qualification mostly takes place in your real work environment whilst you carry out the day to day activities of your job. This means that you are also proving your work to a nationally recognised level at the same time as doing your job.
	Occasionally you may be asked to complete a project, assignment or to answer questions which can be assessed outside of your workplace.

## WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?

Why choose this qualification over similar qualifications?	This qualification is ideal for you if you are working in an adult care setting and wish to develop your skills and knowledge to a level which demonstrates that you are competent. Delivery of the qualification can be flexible to meet your needs and assessment usually takes place in your place of work. The qualification is also endorsed by Skills for Care and has national recognition.
	There are other qualifications available such as:
	601/7207/1 - City & Guilds Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Health and Care (540) (3625-30),
	This qualification may suit you if you prefer to learn in a classroom setting and to take part in work experience to

	learn and practice skills. This qualification does not measure occupational competence and would not be delivered or assessed in the work place.
Alternatives routes to achieve the same outcome?	The 3 Diploma in Adult Care will be the mandatory qualification in the Lead Adult Care Worker apprenticeship standard. The qualification is not the only part of the apprenticeship for more details visit our apprenticeships section of the City & Guilds website
	(https://www.cityandguilds.com/apprenticeships)
How this qualification supports the identified outcome(s)?	The Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care allows you to learn, develop and demonstrate the skills and knowledge required for employment and/or career progression in Adult Care within a role which has some autonomy, delegated responsibility or where there may be a need for supervision of others. Learners can progress to the following qualifications providing they are in an appropriate job role:
	<ul> <li>601/5641/7 City &amp; Guilds level 4 Diploma in Adult Care (4222-34) or</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>601/4347/2 Leadership and Management in Health &amp; Social Care and Children &amp; Young People's Services (4978, Adult Pathways)</li> </ul>
	Opportunities may also be available to progress to an apprenticeship for the Lead Practitioner in Adult Care or Leader in Adult Care as long as your job role supports this.
	You could explore higher education programmes, providing all entry requirements are met.
WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFI	CATION?
Employer/Higher Education Institutions	Skills for Care, the Sector Skills Council for Adult Social Care in England.
	The qualification is listed as an approved qualification on the Skills for Care website <b>www.skillsforcare.org.uk</b>
Further information	Further information on the qualification content and assessment is available on the 3095-31 webpage on the City & Guilds website <b>www.cityandguilds.com</b>