

Purpose statement

The following purpose statement is for the:

City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care (England) (610/0789/4)

Area	Description
OVERVIEW	
What does this qualification cover?	The Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care (England) is a competence-based qualification, which means that it covers the knowledge and skill that are required to work in a particular job role in adult care. These could include domiciliary/home care worker, senior care assistant or senior support worker. 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 the required core knowledge and skills and a selection of optional specialisms which can be combined in flexible ways to reflect th real working context of different learners.
	The content of the mandatory units covers person-centered approaches; communication; personal development; diversity, equality, inclusion and human rights; choice and independence handling information; duty of care; responsibilities of the role; ways of working; safeguarding; health and safety; infection prevention and control; personal wellbeing and wellbeing of individuals. It also includes knowledge of mental capacity and restrictive practice.
	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 can prove that you ar working to a nationally recognised level at the same time as doing your job.
	You will be observed at work by an assessor who is competent working in adult care. Your assessor may also use other assessment methods, such as professional discussion to asses your knowledge and confirm your skills. Occasionally you may be asked to provide a reflective account, 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 has

been endorsed by Skills for Care and has national recognition in England.

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 workplace.

Alternatives routes to achieve the same outcome?

The 3 Diploma in Adult Care (England) is expected be a 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 (England) 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:

- 601/5641/7 City & Guilds level 4 Diploma in Adult Care (4222-34) or
- 603/3462/9 Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care (3080-50) or the replacement for this qualification, the 3096-51 Level 5 Diploma in Leading and Managing an Adult Care Service

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.

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