

Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate: factsheet for care workers and frequently asked questions

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Do you work in an adult social care?

Do you want to be acknowledged for your skills and expertise in a way that all employers will recognise?

The Department of Health and Social Care are launching a new Level 2 qualification for adult social care employees. For those both new to care and those already working in the sector, this qualification is a great opportunity that will open the door to further learning and career progression.

The qualification is based off the Care Certificate Standards which employees should currently be doing during their

special character of government business during an election campaign, and from the need to maintain, and be seen to maintain, the impartiality of the Civil Service, and to avoid any criticism of an inappropriate use of official resources.

In this light we have assessed the position with regards to the proposed funding for the Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate qualification. Having done so we have concluded that any decisions or wider activity relating to making that funding available should be suspended for the time being, pending fresh consideration by the government that will form following the General Election.

This pause relates to funding decisions and activity by DHSC only.

Frequently Asked Questions

What are the benefits of gaining the qualification?

We want the adult social care workforce to be recognised as the professional workforce that it is. We also want to improve perceptions and experience of a rewarding career in care. This qualification is accredited by the Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation (Ofqual) and helps to confirm that you have a certain level of knowledge and skills.

For those new to the sector, we hope this qualification will empower you to deliver high-

The Level 2 Diploma in Care is a longer qualification of approximately 12 months. We know that this is well recognised in the sector and many of the workforce have already achieved this.

How can you find more details about the Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate?

To find out more, please talk with your employer or visit the information page on Skills for Care website: [Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate qualification \(skillsforcare.org.uk\)](https://www.skillsforcare.org.uk/level-2-adult-social-care-certificate-qualification).