new qualification options

for those working as a personal assistant - level 3 diploma in health and social care (adults) for england (QCF)

The purpose of this document is to provide case study scenarios to demonstrate how learners may tailor their learning to their job role on the new qualifications and credit framework (QCF). We aim to support learners to make informed choices about the options available to them on the framework. The units on the reverse are only examples of possible combinations that could be taken and are not intended to form guidance. Together these units form the Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care.

setting:
Personal assistant working with one or more direct payment recipients

role:
- Supporting and enabling people to live independently
- Support with daily living skills including personal care
- Providing support, advice and guidance

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structure of qualification:

The level 3 diploma in health and social care (adults) for England (QCF) is made up of 58 credits or more from three different groups.

- Group A is made up of 9 mandatory units = 28 credits
- Group B is made up of knowledge only units that offers the opportunity to undertake either a generic or specialist learning disabilities or dementia pathway. There is a choice of units within the rules of combination and these are stipulated in order to achieve the appropriate pathway.
- Group C provides the opportunity to take a variety of competence units that reflect job roles. This includes a range of both specialist and generic units.

Combined credits from group B and C = at least 30 credits

unit ref.	level	title	credits
Group A - mandatory units			
SHC 31	3	Promote communication in health, social care or children's and young people's settings	3
SHC 32	3	Engage in personal development in health, social care or children's and young people's settings	3
SHC 33	3	Promote equality and inclusion in health, social care or children's and young people's settings	2
SHC 34	3	Principles for implementing duty of care in health, social care or children's and young people's settings	1
HSC 024	2	Principles of safeguarding and protection in health and social care	3
HSC 025	2	The role of the health and social care worker	2
HSC 036	3	Promote person centred approaches in health and social care	6
HSC 037	3	Promote and implement health and safety in health and social care	6
HSC 038	3	Promote good practice in handling information in health and social care settings	2
		total credits:	**28**
Group B - suggested optional units			
SSOP 3.1	3	Understand models of disability	3
LD 314K	3	Principles of self-directed support	3
		total credits:	**6**
Group C - suggested optional units			
HSC 3003	3	Provide support to maintain and develop skills for everyday life	4
HSC3013	3	Support individuals to access and use services and facilities	4
HSC3022	3	Support individuals to live at home	4
HSC 3023	3	Support individuals to manage their finances	3
HSC 3024	3	Support individuals to access and manage direct payments	6
HSC 3028	3	Support individuals to deal with personal relationship problems	4
L2 EFAW	2	Emergency first aid skills	1
		total credits:	**26**
		total credit value of this suggested combination of units:	**60**

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