

Qualification Purpose Statement

Qualification title

NCFE CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Principles of End of Life Care (601/3818/X)

Overview

This qualification has the following mandatory units:

- Understand how to work in end of life care (H/506/5507) The purpose of this unit is to assess the learner's knowledge and understanding when beginning to work in end of life care.
- Care Planning in end of life care (L/506/5503) This unit provides learners with an understanding of the person-centred approach to care planning within end of life care.
- Understand how to provide support to manage pain and discomfort (A/506/5495) The unit provides the learner with the knowledge and skills to provide support for managing pain and discomfort.
- End of life care and dementia (K/505/1981) This unit aims to enable learners to understand how the condition of dementia impacts on an individual's end of life care.
- Understanding the role of the care worker in time of death (H/505/1980) This unit aims to enable learners to understand the role of the care worker at time of death.
- Understand loss and grief in end of life care (M/505/1982) This unit aims to enable learners to understand the processes of loss and grief and their impact on the individual receiving care, significant others and care workers.

Who is this qualification designed for?

This qualification is suitable for learners aged 16 and above.

There are no specific prior qualifications needed to access this qualification. This qualification is designed for a wide range of learners who wish to gain an understanding of end of life care. These may be learners who wish to access this training with a view to progress to further qualifications or employment within health and social care, to complement other qualifications within apprenticeship frameworks within health or health and social care, or to develop within their current job role within health and social care.

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What could this qualification lead to?

As noted in the apprenticeship frameworks, career progression within the health and social care sectors will not always be vertical, it may also be horizontal. New ways of working and new roles are constantly evolving to meet the health and social care needs of the population. These new roles provide staff with opportunities to develop new knowledge and skills often described as 'expanded' roles.

This qualification supports progression to employment and progression within employment for the following job roles and workers:

- care assistant or worker
- personal care assistant
- adult social care relief team worker
- night care assistant
- support worker (supported living)
- key workers in residential/domiciliary/day care settings
- palliative care hospice worker
- home care support worker
- re-enablement worker
- healthcare support service worker
- clinical healthcare support worker
- healthcare assistant
- counsellor
- bereavement support worker.

Progression opportunities

This qualification supports progression to further learning in the following areas:

- Level 2 or 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults) for England
- Level 2 or 3 Diploma in Clinical Healthcare Support
- Level 2 or 3 Certificate in Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care
- Level 2 or 3 Certificate for Working in the Health Sector
- Level 3 Certificate in the Principles of End of Life Care
- Level 3 Certificate in Stroke Care Management
- Level 3 Diploma In Allied Health Profession Support
- Intermediate or Advanced Level Apprenticeship in Health & Social Care
- Intermediate or Advanced Level Apprenticeship in Health (Clinical Healthcare Support)

Are there any larger or smaller versions of this qualification at the same Level, why should a learner take this one?

There's a Level 2 Award (3 credits) offered by a range of Awarding Organisations including NCFE CACHE, which is a single unit award that offers a limited overview of this specialist and sensitive subject area.

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This qualification offers a more comprehensive approach to this topic, allowing greater understanding to support progression towards or within, employment, further learning, and training in this area.

Who supports the qualification?

The qualification is supported by providers listed on the Register of Training Organisations and who have current contracts for delivery of provision in Health and Social Care. For further information please contact CACHE on 0345 347 2123 or email us at info@cache.org.uk.

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