



## BTEC Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care

### **Who is this course for?**

Students who have not achieved the required number of GCSE grades to move onto level 3 and 'A' level courses. This qualification is designed to provide specialist work-related qualifications in a range of Health, social care and early years sectors. They give learners the knowledge, understanding and skills they need to prepare for employment.

Students are provided with a full-time course of study with 2 GCSE's along side usually English Language, Mathematics, or Child development, or Science.

BTEC Level 2 Diplomas provide much of the underpinning knowledge and understanding for the National Occupational Standards for the sector. They attract achievement and attainment points that equate to similar-sized general qualifications.

On successful completion of a BTEC Level 2 Diploma qualification, learners can progress to employment and/or continue their study in the same vocational area providing they have achieved a MERIT level.

### **What are the entry criteria?**

The college has a set criteria for entry onto level 2 courses.

### **The Health and Social Care department at Wyke Sixth Form College**

There is a suite of 3 rooms and a computer room is timetabled for some coursework lessons. The department has a set of text books to use in the classroom and the library is well stocked with a variety of books to borrow.

There are 4 teachers in the department

- Michele Tong (Head of BTEC level 2 Health and Social Care and Child Development).
- Colin Walden (Head of BTEC level 3 Health and Social Care)
- Lesley Parkinson (Teacher and tutor)
- Lesley Horsfield (Teacher)

## **Exam Board**

Edexcel

## **Course Details**

The following is a list of the units on the course the ones with a \* are the units students will take part in next year.

\*Unit 1: Communication in Health and Social Care

\*Unit 2: Individual Rights in Health and Social Care

\*Unit 3: Individual Needs in Health and Social Care

\*Unit 4: Ensuring Safe Environments in Health and Social Care

\*Unit 5: Vocational Experience in a Health or Social Care Setting

Unit 6: Cultural Diversity in Health and Social Care

\*Unit 7: Anatomy and Physiology for Health and Social Care

\*Unit 8: Human Lifespan Development

Unit 9: Creative and Therapeutic Activities in Health and Social Care

Unit 10: Health and Social Care Services

\*Unit 11: The Impact of Diet on Health

## **How the course is delivered**

This BTEC Level 2 Diploma is studied in 1 year for 12 lessons a week. There are 8 units to be taken and each teacher sets assignments at regular intervals for homework. These are marked and returned to the student to be put in a portfolio kept at college.

## **Departmental Enrichment**

In the first term of the course all Level 2 Diploma course students complete two week of vocationally relevant work experience. All students are strongly advised to enrol onto those enrichment courses offered by the college which are applicable to the subject and to their personal career path. Relevant enrichment courses include:

- 'Emotional intelligence 1: Understanding self and others'
- 'Emotional intelligence 2: Building self-esteem'
- 'Why do people think like that?'
- 'Lives worth living'
- 'Parent and Toddler group'
- 'Lexia - Reading skills development'
- 'Begin your medical career here'

## **Student success**

- The department has helped students achieve good grades in this BTEC to help them on their chosen career path.

Over last three years this course has seen 100% pass rate with

- 10% Distinction\*
- 5% Distinction
- 60% Merit
- 25% Pass

Last years students did well and a few success stories are listed below.

Name	Grade	Destination	Career path
Naomi Ward	Dist*	Stayed on at Wyke College to do level 3 H&SC and A levels	Social Work
Terri Shaw	Merit	Stayed on at Wyke College to do level 3 H&SC and A levels	Nursing or Social Work or Teaching
Joe Chapman	Merit	Stayed on at Wyke College to do level 3 H&SC and A levels	Nursing

### **What does this course lead to:**

This course can lead to being part of the 5 grade A\* - C grades needed to study level 3 courses. It is good for the BTEC level 3 Health and Social Care it must be at Merit level.

Some students go onto F.E. to study other courses in Child Care or Health studies.

Employment in the Care sector.

### **What can I do now that would help prepare me for this course?**

Read the specification subject content on the Edexcel website. [www.edexcel.org.uk](http://www.edexcel.org.uk)

Do some vocationally relevant work experience if you can.

