

Approved Qualifications

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Approved qualifications have been developed in partnership with employers and Awarding Organisations, in line with our specifications and checked by Skills for Care for consistency. You'll see that some awarding organisations have more than one qualification approved at level 3 or level 5. This is because new qualifications have been launched and there is a period of transition where both new and old are available. The newly developed qualifications are denoted by NEW in the table title.

Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate			
Awarding Organisation	Qualification Title	Qualification Number	Website
City & Guilds	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4226/2	Vocational Education and Apprenticeships City & Guilds (cityandguilds.com)
FuturU	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4675/9	Health and social care training made simple - FuturU
Future Quals	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/5512/8	FutureQuals Qualifications Awarding Organisation Apprenticeships
Gateway Qualifications	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4234/1	Awarding Organisation for EDSQ, Access to HE, ESOL, Vocational and more... (gatewayqualifications.org.uk)
Highfield	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4219/5	Home Highfield (highfieldqualifications.com)
iCQ	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4832/X	iCQ: an Ofqual, CCEA and Qualifications Wales regulated Awarding Organisation (icanqualify.net)
Innovate Awarding	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4120/8	We are Innovate Awarding, an Awarding and End-Point Assessment Organisation with a 'no surprises approach' to Assessments Innovate Awarding
NCFE CACHE	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4131/2	Home NCFE
NOCN Group	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4165/8	Homepage - NOCN
Nqual Ltd	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4009/5	NQual Ltd Qualifications & Assessments Nationally
OCN London	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4188/9	OCN London - Solutions-Focused Qualifications & Services
Open Awards	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4087/3	Awarding Organisation Access to HE Functional Skills EPA Open Awards
Pearson	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/6704/0	Pearson qualifications Edexcel and BTEC Pearson qualifications
Professional Assessment Ltd	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/5931/6	Professional Assessment Ltd – Qualifications
ProQual	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/5380/6	Ofqual Approved Learning and Qualifications for Training Providers ProQual AB
QUALIFI Ltd	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4201/8	Qualifi – Success through learning recognised Worldwide

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA)	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/5022/2	RoSPA – The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents - RoSPA
Training Qualifications UK	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4174/9	Training Qualifications UK (tquk.org)
VTCT Skills	Level 2 Adult Social Care Certificate	610/4139/7	VTCT - Awarding world-class qualifications - VTCT

Level 2 Diploma in Care			
Awarding Organisation	Qualification Title	Qualification Number	Website
BIIAB	BIIAB Level 2 Diploma in Care	603/2521/5	www.biiab.org/qualifications/health-and-social-care/adult-social-care/biiab-level-2-diploma-in-care-2018/
City and Guilds	City and Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Care	603/2660/8	www.cityandguilds.com/qualifications-and-apprenticeships/health-and-social-care/care/3095-adult-care#tab=information&acc=level2
Highfield ABC	Highfield Level 2 Diploma in Care (RQF)	603/2825/3	www.highfieldqualifications.com/qualifications/apprenticeships/healthsocialcare/L2DIPCA RE
iCQ	iCQ Level 2 Diploma in Care	603/2761/3	https://icanqualify.net/website.icq
Innovate Awarding	Innovate Awarding Level 2 Diploma in Care (RQF)	603/2524/0	www.innovateawarding.org/qualifications/qualifications-list/care/diploma-in-care/
NCFE CACHE	NCFE CACHE Level 2 Diploma in Care	603/2611/6	www.qualhub.co.uk/qualification-search/qualification-detail/nfce-cache-level-2-diploma-in-care-548
NOCN	NOCN Level 2 Diploma in Care (England)	603/3609/2	www.nocn.org.uk/what-we-do/qualifications/603-3609-2-nocn-level-2-diploma-in-care-england/
Nqual	NQual Level 2 Diploma in Care	610/2566/5	www.nqual.co.uk/level-2-diploma-in-care
Pearson BTEC	Pearson BTEC Level 2 Diploma in Care (England)	603/2762/5	https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/nvq-and-competence-based-qualifications/health-and-social-care/care-diploma-l2.html
Training Qualifications UK	TQUK Level 2 Diploma in Care (RQF)	603/2554/9	www.tquk.org/what-we-do/qualifications/health-and-social-care-qualifications
VTCT Skills	VTCT Skills Level 2 Diploma in Care (RQF)	603/2806/X	VTCT Skills Level 2 Diploma In Care (RQF) VTCT Skills

Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care (NEW)

Awarding Organisation	Qualification Title	Certificate Number	Website
BIIAB	BIIAB Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care	610/1093/5	https://biiab.co.uk/qualification/level-3-diploma-in-adult-care-new/
City and Guilds	Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care	610/0789/4	https://www.cityandguilds.com/qualifications-and-apprenticeships/health-and-social-care/care/3096-diplomas-in-adult-care-england#tab=information
Futurequals	FAQ Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care	601/1627/5	http://www.futurequals.com/
Gateway Qualifications	Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care	610/0830/8	https://www.gatewayqualifications.org.uk/qualifications/
Highfield	Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care	610/1372/9	http://www.highfieldqualifications.com/products/qualifications/health-social-care/level-3-in-adult-care-england
iCQ	Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care	610/2985/3	https://icanqualify.net/cgi-bin/icanwebsite
Innovate Awarding	Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care	610/0510/1	https://innovateawarding.org/qualifications/qualifications-list/
NCFE CACHE	Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care	610/0498/4	https://www.qualhub.co.uk/qualification-search/qualification-detail/ncfe-cache-level-3-diploma-in-adult-care-5198
NOCN Group	Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care	610/0088/7	https://www.nocn.org.uk/products/qualifications/610-0088-7-nocn-level-3-diploma-in-adult-care-england-2022/
Nqual	NQual Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care	610/2966/X	www.nqual.co.uk/level-3-diploma-in-adult-care
Pearson	Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care	610/1185/X	https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/NVQ-and-competence-based-qualifications/adult-care/specification/btec-l3-dip-adult-care-spec.pdf
Training Qualifications UK	Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care	610/0103/6	https://www.tquk.org/qualifications/
VTCT Skills	Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care (RQF)	610/0209/4	www.skillsfirst.co.uk/qualification/health-social-care/acd3-skillsfirst-level-3-diploma-in-adult-care-rqf/

Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care			
Awarding Organisation	Qualification Title	Qualification Number	Website
Focus Awards	Focus Awards Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care (RQF)	603/293 9/7	www.focusawards.org.uk/qualification/focus-awards-level-3-diploma-in-health-and-social-care-adults-for-england-qcf/
iCQ	iCQ Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care	603/276 3/7	https://icanqualify.net/qualification.icq/603_2761_3

Level 4 Diploma in Adult Care

Awarding Organisation	Qualification Title	Qualification Number	Website
BIIAB	BIIAB Level 4 Diploma in Adult Care	603/2877/0	www.biiab.org/qualifications/health-and-social-care/adult-social-care/biiab-level-4-diploma-in-adult-care-2018/
City & Guilds	City & Guilds Level 4 Diploma in Adult Care (England)	601/5641/7	www.cityandguilds.com/qualifications-and-apprenticeships/health-and-social-care/care/4222-health-and-social-care#tab=information&acc=level4
Highfield	Highfield Level 4 Diploma in Adult Care (RQF)	603/2829/0	www.highfieldqualifications.com/qualifications/apprenticeships/healthsocialcare/L4DIPACARE
ICQ	ICQ Level 4 Diploma in Adult Care (RQF)	603/3181/1	https://icanqualify.net/qualification.icq/603_2761_3
Innovative Awarding Organisation	IAO Level 4 Diploma in Adult Care (RQF)	603/2517/3	www.innovateawarding.org/qualifications/qualifications-list/care/diploma-in-adult-care-1/
NCFE CACHE	NCFE CACHE Level 4 Diploma in Adult Care	603/2614/1	www.qualhub.co.uk/qualification-search/qualification-detail/ncfe-cache-level-4-diploma-in-adult-care-547
Nqual	NQual Level 4 Diploma in Adult Care	610/2969/5	https://www.nqual.co.uk/level-4-diploma-in-adult-care
Pearson BTEC	Pearson BTEC Level 4 Diploma in Adult Care (England)	603/2780/7	https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/nvq-and-competence-based-qualifications/health-and-social-care/adult-care-england-l4.html
Training Qualifications UK	TQUK Level 4 Diploma in Adult Care (RQF)	603/2901/4	www.tquk.org/what-we-do/qualifications/health-and-social-care-qualifications
VTCT Skills	VTCT Skills Level 4 Diploma in Adult Care	603/2809/5	VTCT Skills Level 4 Diploma in Adult Care (RQF) VTCT Skills

Level 4 Certificate in Principles of Leadership and Management for Adult Care

Awarding Organisation	Qualification Title	Qualification Number	Website
Highfield	Highfield Level 4 Certificate in Principles of Leadership and Management for Adult Care (RQF)	603/0974/X	www.highfieldqualifications.com/qualifications/compliance/healthsocialcare/l4cac

Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care (NEW)

Awarding Organisation	Qualifications Title	Qualification Number	Website
BIIAB	Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care	610/1838/7	https://biiab.co.uk/qualification/level-5-diploma-in-leadership-and-management-for-adult-care/

City and Guilds	Level 5 Diploma in Leading and Managing an Adult Care Service (England)	610/0977/5	https://www.cityandguilds.com/qualifications-and-apprenticeships/health-and-social-care/care/3096-adult-care-england#tab=information
Focus Awards	Focus Awards level 5 Diploma in Leading and Managing an Adult Care Service (RQF)	610/4677/2	https://focusawards.org.uk/qualifications/
Futurequals	Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care	610/1628/7	https://www.futurequals.com/qualifications/faq-level-5-diploma-in-leadership-and-management-for-adult-care-rqf/
Highfield	Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care (RQF)	610/1880/6	www.highfieldqualifications.com/products/qualifications/health-social-care/level-5-management-adult-care-new
iCQ	Level 5 Diploma in Leading and Managing an Adult Care Service	610/2987/7	https://icanqualify.net/cgi-bin/icanwebsite
Innovate Awarding	Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care	610/0536/8	https://innovateawarding.org/qualifications/qualifications-list/
NCFE CACHE	Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care	610/0673/7	https://www.qualhub.co.uk/media/23953/610-0673-7-qualification-specification-draft-v01-march-2022.pdf
NOCN	NOCN Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care	610/3512/9	www.nocn.org.uk/products/qualifications/610-3512-9-nocn-level-5-diploma-in-leadership-and-management-for-adult-care/
NQual	NQual Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care	610/2986/5	www.nqual.co.uk/level-5-diploma-in-leadership-and-management-for-adult-care
Pearson	Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care	610/1580/5	https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/nvq-and-competence-based-qualifications/health-and-social-care/leadership-and-management-for-adult-care-england-15-2023.html
Training Qualifications UK	Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care (RQF)	610/0955/6	https://www.tquk.org/qualifications/
VTCT Skills	Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care	610/0210/0	https://www.skillsfirst.co.uk/index.php?page=qualifications&url=acd5-skillsfirst-level-5-diploma-in-leadership-and-management-for-adult-care-rqf&id=11804&type=Article

Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care

Awarding Organisation	Qualification Title	Qualification Number	Website
iCQ	iCQ Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care (RQF)	603/4136 /1	https://icanqualify.net/website.icq
Innovate Awarding Organisation	Innovate Awarding Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care (RQF)	603/287 0/8	www.innovateawarding.org/qualifications/qualifications-list/health-and-social-care/diploma-in-leadership-for-health- and-social-care-and-children-and-young-peoples-services-england/

Level 5 Certificate in Principles of Commissioning for Wellbeing

Awarding Organisation	Qualification Title	Qualification Number	Website
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Highfield	Level 5 Certificate in Principles of Commissioning for Wellbeing	603/0969/6	www.highfieldqualifications.com/qualifications/compliance/healthsocialcare/L5CCW
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