# HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

*"The closest thing to being cared for is to care for someone else."*

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**Why study Health and Social Care?** Ever wondered why some people experience different health outcomes, how professionals support individuals through life's challenges, or what it takes to work in healthcare, social care, early years education or public services? If so, Health and Social Care could be the course for you. You will develop valuable skills including communication, teamwork, problem solving, research and critical evaluation, while gaining an understanding of health, wellbeing and the care services that support individuals throughout their lives.

**What will you study?** Please note: Health and Social Care is currently part of a national reform programme for post-16 qualifications. Whilst final details are awaiting confirmation, the course is expected to follow the Pearson Level 3 Alternative Academic Qualification (AAQ) in Health and Social Care pathway outlined below.

**Year 12**

**Human Lifespan Development** Explore physical, intellectual, emotional and social development across the lifespan, and the factors that can influence growth and wellbeing.

**Health and Social Care Practice** Develop an understanding of professional values, legislation, equality, diversity, safeguarding and the role of health and social care services in supporting individuals.

**Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs** Learn how professionals communicate effectively, build positive relationships and deliver person-centred care to meet individual needs.

**Year 13**

**Health, Wellbeing and Physiological Conditions** Investigate factors that affect health and wellbeing, explore a range of physiological conditions, and consider how individuals can be supported to live independently.

You may also study additional topics linked to current health & social care practice, public health, health promotion and contemporary issues within the sector.

**How will you study?** Learning combines independent research, case studies and the application of knowledge to realistic health and social care scenarios. Students are encouraged to develop the professional skills expected within the sector.

**How will you be assessed?** Assessment is expected to be a combination of externally assessed examinations and internally assessed coursework/NEA. Students will complete assignments, case studies and research tasks throughout the course alongside external assessments. Final assessment arrangements will be confirmed once the qualification specification is formally approved.

**What do I need to study the course?** The general Sixth Form entry requirements apply. A Grade 4 in English Language is desirable.

**Skills and attributes:** Organisation, resilience, communication skills, compassion, independence and an interest in working with people.

**Which subjects combine well with Health and Social Care?** Psychology, Biology, Applied Science, Sport, Business Studies and English.