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Qualification Name	Level 3 Diploma for Residential Childcare (England)
Qualification achieved	Highfield Level 3 Residential Childcare (England) (RQF) 601/5369/6

Qualification Structure

This qualification is assessed by building a portfolio of evidence under the guidance of a personal assessor assigned to help and support the learner.

The learner will dictate the pace of the qualification to fit around work and lifestyle commitments, however we do expect a learner to complete within 12 months of enrolment.

The learner will research and undertake assignments as a distance learning qualification.

Evidence may be submitted in a number of ways including

Telephone discussions

Written Submissions usually sent by email

Electronic completion of a E-portfolio

There will be an observation of the learner in practice arranged by the assessor at a convenient time to suit the learner and care setting.

There are no exams required to achieve the qualification

Qualification Duration

The total qualification time for this qualification is 610 hours and of this 466 are recommended as guided learning hours. This equates to approximately 6 months however the timescale is dependent on a learner being fully engaged in their studies and submitting evidence back to their assessor usually on a weekly basis.

Costs

This qualification costs £800

50% is payable at point of enrolment with the remaining 50% payable upon completion of the qualification.

Who can enrol for this course?

Must be aged 18+.

Entry requirements

To register on to this qualification, learners are required to meet the following entry requirements:

- Be employed in a suitable role (as outlined above) within the residential childcare sector.
- Be 18+ years old

It is advised that learners have a minimum of Level 2 in literacy and numeracy (or equivalent) to undertake this qualification.

It is recommended that learners will have completed a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

Who is this qualification suitable for?

The objective of this qualification is to support a role as a residential childcare worker within children and young people's residential childcare services.

This qualification is the required qualification for residential childcare workers.

This is a combined knowledge and competency qualification and must be undertaken by individuals who are working, volunteering or on practical placement within the residential childcare sector.

Learners undertaking this qualification will be working with children and young people from birth to 25 years of age. This extended age range takes into account the entitlements for children and young people with complex disabilities and conditions.

This qualification includes mandatory core knowledge relating to the development of children and young people, safeguarding and protection, and supporting children and young people who have experienced harm or abuse. It also includes mandatory core skills relating to the use of effective communication and information handling, risk management, assessment and planning in addition to supporting group living.

Certification

Upon successful completion of this qualification, you will be issued with a hard copy of your certificate.

Enrolment

Full details of how to enrol on this qualification can be found on our website, under the section Enrolment.

Module Content

To complete the Highfield Level 3 Diploma for Residential Childcare (England) (QCF), learners must complete the following:

- all units contained within the mandatory group
- a minimum of 3 units from Optional Group A to achieve a minimum of 8 credits from this group

Mandatory units are:

- Understand the development of children and young people in residential childcare (Credit Value 3)
- Understand how to safeguard and protect children and young people in residential childcare (Credit Value 7)
- Understand how to support children and young people who have experienced harm or abuse 3(Credit Value 3)
- Promote effective communication and information handling in residential childcare settings (Credit Value 3)
- Support risk management in residential childcare (Credit Value 2)

- Support group living in residential childcare (Credit Value 3)
- Understand how to support positive outcomes for Children and young people in residential childcare (Credit Value 2)
- Support attachment and positive relationships for children and young people in residential childcare (Credit Value 4)
- Support the well-being and resilience of children and young people in residential childcare (Credit Value 3)
- Support children and young people in residential childcare to manage their health (Credit Value 2)
- Support the rights, diversity and equality of children and young people in residential childcare (Credit Value 3)
- Participate in teams to benefit children and young people in residential childcare (Credit Value 3)
- Support the development of socially aware behaviour with children and young people in residential childcare (Credit Value 5)
- Engage in professional development in residential childcare settings (Credit Value 3)
- Support children and young people in residential Childcare to achieve their learning potential (Credit Value 4)
- Assessment and planning with children and young people in residential childcare (Credit Value 3)

Optional Units Group A are:

- Understand the care system and its impact on children and young people (Credit Value 3)
- Understand the youth justice system as it relates to residential childcare (Credit Value 3)
- Support young people leaving care (Credit Value 6)
- Understand residential childcare for children and young people with complex disabilities or conditions (Credit Value 3)
- Understand support for young people with complex disabilities or conditions making the transition into adulthood (Credit Value 3)
- Work with the families of children and young people in residential childcare (Credit Value 2)
- Support use of medication in social care settings (Credit Value 5)