

Care Qualification and Career Pathway – Getting Started

Suite	Level	Gateway Qualifications	Apprenticeship Routes	Entry Point for Job Roles at a Specific Level	Comments
Introductory Vocational and Employability Skills	1	Award/Certificate/ Skills for Health and Social Care (Adults and Children) Award in Digital Skills for Work Award/Certificate in Employability Skills Award in Improving own Employability Skills Award in Exploring Enterprise		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Care Assistant (Unqualified) Personal Care Assistant (unqualified) 	This is an introductory level which is useful as a taster of what working within care could be like. It may be suitable for those looking to start their career path. Developing underpinning skills such as digital and employability skills will enhance your CV.
Introductory CPD for existing staff	1	Award in Dyslexia Awareness Award in Dyspraxia Awareness			Suitable for staff supporting or working with individuals with SEND to gain a basic awareness of these subjects
Intermediate Vocational Skills	2	Award/Certificate/Diploma Skills for Health and Social Care (Adults and Children) Award/Certificate/Diploma in Health and Social Care Award/Certificate/Diploma in Social Sciences Certificate/Diploma in Preparing for Further Study in Health, Social Care and Social Work Diploma in Care	Adult Care Worker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Care Assistant Personal Assistant Key workers in residential or domiciliary care providers 	With this level of qualification you may be able to gain employment within the sector. You may be asked to further improve your skills by completing an apprenticeship or a higher-level qualification when you gain employment. This is a suitable level if you are thinking of changing careers.

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Intermediate CPD for existing staff	2	<p>Award in Safeguarding and Protecting Children and Young People</p> <p>Award in Dyslexia/Dyspraxia Awareness</p> <p>Award in Awareness of Asperger Syndrome</p> <p>Award in ADHD Awareness</p> <p>A wide range of relevant individual units are available including: Causes and Spread of Infection/ Infection Prevention and Control/ Care of the Elderly</p>			Suitable for staff supporting or working with individuals with SEND or vulnerabilities