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## Level 3 Diploma in Residential Childcare (England) (QCF)

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This qualification is designed to develop the knowledge and skills needed when working with children and young people in a residential childcare setting. The qualification is made up of mandatory units and also gives the learner the opportunity to cover optional units that are suited for specific residential and respite care settings.

### Entry Requirements

Learners must be 18 years or above to complete the qualification and must be working in a childcare residential setting.

### Aims and Objectives

The qualification aims to enable learners to gain essential skills and knowledge to support children and young people in residential childcare settings.

### Units

This is a 61 credit qualification which consists of the following;

#### Mandatory units:

- **RCC3.1** - Understand the development of children and young people in residential settings
- **RCC3.2** – Understand how to safeguard and protect children and young people in residential childcare
- **RCC3.3** – Understand how to support children and young people who have suffered harm or abuse
- **RCC3.4** – Promote effective communication and information handling in residential childcare settings
- **RCC3.5** – Support risk management in residential childcare
- **RCC3.6** – Assessment and planning with children and young people in residential childcare
- **RCC3.7** – Support group living in residential childcare
- **RCC3.8** – Understand how to support positive outcomes for children and young people in a residential setting
- **RCC3.9** – Support attachment and positive relationships for children and young people in residential childcare
- **RCC3.10** – Support the well-being and resilience of children and young people in residential childcare
- **RCC3.11** – Support children and young people in residential childcare to achieve their learning potential
- **RCC3.12** – Support children in residential childcare to manage their health
- **RCC3.13** – Support the development of socially aware behaviour with children and young people in residential childcare
- **RCC3.14** – Engage in professional development in residential childcare settings

- **RCC3.15** – Support the rights diversity and equality of children and young people in residential childcare
- **RCC3.16** – Participate in teams to benefit children and young people in residential childcare.

*\*Your training advisor will support you to choose additional optional units tailored to your role and responsibilities*

#### **The qualification consists of the following:**

- QCF qualification in Health and Social care Level 3
- An Employment, rights and responsibility unit
- Functional skills in Maths at Level 2 (consisting of an online test, unless you can provide a valid GCSE exemption)
- Functional skills in English at Level 2 (consisting of 2 online tests, reading and writing and an assessment in speaking and listening, unless you can provide a valid GCSE exemption)
- PLTS – personal learning and thinking skills

#### **How long will it take to complete?**

The qualification usually takes 15 months however it may take less time if valid Functional Skills exemptions are presented.

#### **How is it delivered?**

You will be allocated a qualified Training Advisor who will support you through your qualification. Your training advisor will have an assessment visit with you every 4 weeks. These visits/assessments will be planned in advance with you and your manager. Your portfolio will be stored on One file, which is an online electronic system and you will be able to access your portfolio on line 24/7.

#### **Assessment methods used could include:**

- Direct observation of practice in the workplace
- Witness evidence
- Professional discussion
- Verbal or written question and answers
- Reflective Accounts
- Case studies
- Written assignments
- Work products

#### **Progression opportunities**

- Level 5 Diploma in Health and Social Care or Children and Young People's Settings (Children and young people's residential management pathway)
- Team leading Level 2