

Qualification factsheet

Qualification overview

Qualification title	NCFE CACHE Level 2 Award in the Prevention and Control of Infection		
Qualification number (QN)	603/7262/X		
Total qualification time (TQT):	77	Guided learning hours (GLH)	70
Entry requirements:	This qualification is designed for individuals in employment and learners looking to gain a greater understanding of infection prevention and control. Entry is at the discretion of the centre. However, learners should be aged 14 or above to undertake this qualification. Centres are responsible for ensuring that this qualification is appropriate for the age and ability of learners. They need to make sure that learners can fulfil the requirements of the learning outcomes and comply with the relevant literacy, numeracy and health and safety aspects of this qualification. This qualification is aimed at learners employed within a health and social care environment. However, it is available to learners who are not currently employed and show an interest in the qualification.		

About this qualification

The qualification aims to build on learners' knowledge and awareness of the prevention and control of infection for those working in health settings and adult or child social care settings. It can also be undertaken by learners in school or college, who would like to develop a knowledge of infection control and prevention.

Qualification structure

This qualification consists of 3 mandatory units, which must be completed to achieve the qualification.

Mandatory units

Unit 01 The principles of infection prevention and control
Unit 02 Causes and spread of infection
Unit 03 Cleaning, decontamination and waste management



Assessment

This qualification is internally assessed and externally quality assured.

The assessment consists of one mandatory component:

 an internally assessed portfolio of evidence which is assessed by centre staff and externally quality assured by NCFE

Progression opportunities

Learners will develop an understanding of methods of preventing and controlling infection, allowing for progression to the Level 2 Certificate in Health and Social Care or the Level 2 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care. It will allow learners already in employment to use this knowledge to improve infection control measures in the workplace. Although not confirming occupational competence, it may aid progression into the workplace.



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