

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE GCSE

GCSE in Health & Social Care (Single Award)

When Delivered:	One afternoon per week over two years
Qualification title:	GCSE in Health & Social Care (Single Award)
Awarding Body:	WJEC

Introduction to the subject

This course is designed as an introduction to working in the health and social care sector. It prepares students with the underpinning knowledge and skills which may enable them to progress on to the City & Guilds and WJEC qualifications in Health and Social Care, from which, if they are successful, they can progress to careers in the health or social care sector.

Course Content

The course consists of two mandatory units. In year ten students will study unit 1-Human growth, development and well-being and in year eleven, students will study unit 2-Promoting and maintaining health and well-being.

Assessment

To achieve the GCSE, students must successfully complete the unit 1 examination in year ten and the unit 2 non-exam assessment in year eleven. Students will sit a 90 minute exam to assess their knowledge of unit 1 at the end of year ten in May 2025, with the exam result making up 40% of their overall grade at the end of year 11. The non-exam assessments will take place in November 2025 and March 2026 and make up the remaining 60% of the final grade.

Career Opportunities

On completing this course, students are unlikely to progress directly into employment in their chosen area. However students may wish to further their studies by applying for the Level 3 Health and Social Care qualification or A-levels such as Psychology or Sociology.

Costs

Polo Shirt approx £14 (optional)