

Qualification factsheet

Qualification overview

Qualification title	NCFE CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Understanding Mental Health in the Early Years		
Qualification number (QN)	603/5862/2		
Total qualification time (TQT):	130	Guided learning hours (GL)	105
Entry requirements:	This qualification is designed for learners who would like to learn about mental health in children in the early years. Entry is at the discretion of the centre. However, learners should be aged 16 or above to undertake this qualification. There is no specific prior knowledge a learner must have for 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. Learners registered on this qualification should not undertake another qualification at the same level with the same or a similar title, as duplication of learning may affect funding eligibility.		

About this qualification

This qualification is designed for learners who wish to understand mental health in young children in the early years (from birth to 5 years old) and the role of the Early Years Practitioner to support children's mental health and wellbeing. This is a knowledge-based qualification.

Through achieving this qualification, learners will develop knowledge which would support progression to further qualifications and into relevant employment in the health and social care or education sectors.

Qualification structure

To be awarded this qualification, learners are required to successfully achieve all 3 mandatory units.



Mandatory units

Understand mental health for young children in the early years

Understand the significance of attachment and adverse childhood experiences for young children in the early years

Understand the role of the Early Years Practitioner supporting mental health and wellbeing for young children in the early years

Assessment

Internally assessed and externally quality assured portfolio of evidence.

Progression opportunities

Learners who achieve this qualification could progress to:

- · Level 2 Certificate in Understanding Working in the Health Sector
- Level 3 Certificate in Understanding Mental Health
- Level 3 Certificate in Working in the Health Sector
- Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator)
- Technical Level 3 Diploma in Early Years Education and Care (Early Years Educator)
- Apprenticeships in Health and Social Care.



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