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Dear Lee

I am writing in support of the qualification NCFE CACHE Level 2 Award in Suicide Awareness (603/6063/X).

Newcastle College Health and Social care department has over 3000 students ranging from ages 16-75. We have over 2000 adult learners who complete short provision and who move on to positive progression, including further study and employment. We work with a range of employers who frequently request such accredited qualifications.

We believe this qualification is valuable for our learners because it offers progression for many learners returning to education, it also allows learners to build key employability skills, this programme will also complement many roles within the health sector and bring further CPD opportunities for learners already working in the sector. The qualification will build on key life skills such as collaborative working, empathy and listening skills.

Completion of this qualification will prepare learners to progress to the NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in STEPS Towards Suicide Reduction, NCFE CACHE Level 3 Certificate in Understanding Mental Health (601/8968/X) or other mental health qualifications.

I estimate that I would register 150 learners for the qualification in year 1, 170 in year 2 and 185 in year 3.

This qualification is suitable for anyone aged 16 and above.

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Yours faithfully, Jessica Barwell Head of Curriculum – Health and Social Care Newcastle College