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Supporting High Quality Provision in Northern Ireland



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About us

We're NCFE: an educational charity and leader in vocational and technical learning. We combine over 170 years of education experience with deep insight, working with a network of expert collaborators to galvanise the technical and vocational education sector around the greatest learning needs and to shape smarter solutions. In doing this, we're working for a fairer education system for all learners to power inclusivity and choice.

For over 25 years, we have worked in partnership with delivery centres in Northern Ireland to offer quality care and education provision. We are proud of our 'gold standard' Childcare and Education qualifications, which we have developed a bespoke range of for Northern Ireland. More recently, we have continued to build on our commitment to our centres and learners in Northern Ireland by developing a bespoke range of Health and Social Care qualifications, developed in collaboration with the Northern Ireland Social Care Council.

In 1848, we were born from the belief that no learner was left behind. Today, we're taking up that cause with fresh energy.

These qualifications have been developed in collaboration with our tutors and practitioners to ensure they provide learners with high quality, fit for purpose and relevant learning.

Our qualifications for Northern Ireland not only meet the needs of the learner, but also reflect the needs of the workforces to ensure improved outcomes across the sector.

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Find out more about our high quality provision for Northern Ireland.

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Health and Social Care

Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care (QRN: 603/4401/5) (Adults) (Northern Ireland)

This qualification supports learners to develop the knowledge and skills required to work in a range of health and social care settings within Northern Ireland.

Minimum entry age: 16	Credit value: 46
Guided learning hours: 360	Total qualification time: 460

Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care (QRN: 603/4724/7) (Adults) (Northern Ireland)

This qualification supports learners to develop the knowledge and skills required to work in a range of health and social care settings within Northern Ireland.

Minimum entry age: 16	Credit value: 58
Guided learning hours: 374	Total qualification time: 580

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care (QRN: 603/5355/7) (Adults) (Northern Ireland)

This qualification is designed to provide learners with the knowledge, understanding and skills essential to the health and social care sector within Northern Ireland, and to support progression into Higher Education or the workplace. This qualification carries UCAS tariff points.

Minimum entry age: 16	Credit value: N/A
Guided learning hours: 1085	Total qualification time: 1395

Level 5 Leadership for Health and Social Care Services (QRN: 603/6041/0) (Northern Ireland)

This qualification provides learners with the skills and knowledge needed to manage and lead others in adult health and social care provision in Northern Ireland. There are two pathways within this qualification:

Adult Management - The management pathway is suitable for managers who are looking to progress their career. It is also appropriate for managers who have not yet achieved a qualification at this level.

Adult Residential Management - The adult residential management pathway is aimed at those in similar roles taking the management pathway but the focus is on management and care in residential settings.

Minimum entry age: 19	Credit value: 90
Guided learning hours: 617	Total qualification time: 900



Level 2 Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development (QRN: 603/4723/5) (Northern Ireland)

This qualification is designed to help learners build the knowledge and skills needed when working with children. It covers a diverse range of job roles and occupational areas working in children's settings.

Minimum entry age: 16	Credit value: 48
Guided learning hours: 370	Total qualification time: 480

Level 3 Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development (QRN: 603/6039/2) (Northern Ireland)

This qualification is designed to build the knowledge and skills needed when working with children and young people from birth to 19 years of age. It covers a diverse range of job roles and occupational areas in children's settings, including early years.

Minimum entry age: 16	Credit value: 70
Guided learning hours: 467	Total qualification time: 700

Level 3 Extended Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development (QRN: 603/7477/9) (Northern Ireland)

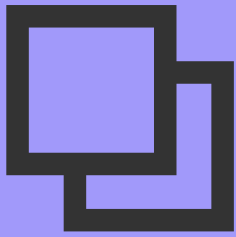
This qualification is designed to provide learners with underpinning knowledge and skills needed when working with children. It covers a diverse range of job roles and occupational areas in children's settings, including early years. The qualification then builds on this knowledge and provides extended knowledge and skills to further learners understanding and provide a stepping stone into higher education.

Minimum entry age: 16	Credit value: 136
Guided learning hours: 1022	Total qualification time: 1360

Level 5 Diploma in Leadership for Children's Care, Learning and Development (Management) (QRN: 603/6040/9) (Northern Ireland)

This qualification provides learners with the skills and knowledge needed to manage practice and lead others in children's care, learning and development in Wales and Northern Ireland. It covers a wide range of subjects, including: leading professional practice, health and safety and risk management, safeguarding, and developing professional supervision practice.

Minimum entry age: 19	Credit value: 90
Guided learning hours: 493	Total qualification time: 899



Bundles

The following bundles are available for registration. When registering on the bundle code a batch number will be generated for each qualification in the bundle. The bundle codes make registering your learners quick and easy and also offers a discount on registration fees.

Level 2 Diplomas in HSC and CCLD (Northern Ireland) Bundle

Bundle will include:

- Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults) (Northern Ireland) (603/4401/5)
- Level 2 Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development (Northern Ireland) (603/4723/5)

5% discount fee applied to the total fee using bundle code NDF9274.

Level 3 Diplomas in HSC and CCLD (Northern Ireland) Bundle

Bundle will include:

- Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults) (Northern Ireland) (603/4724/7)
- Level 3 Diploma in Children's Care Learning and Development (Northern Ireland) (603/6039/2)

5% discount fee applied to the total fee using bundle code NDF3504.

Level 3 Diploma and Extended Diploma HSC (Adults) (Northern Ireland) Bundle

Bundle will include:

- Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults) (Northern Ireland) (603/4724/7)
- Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults) (Northern Ireland) (603/5355/7)

When registering against bundle code NDF6754 learners will be registered on the Level 3 Extended Diploma and the Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults). Centres will receive a discounted price for the two qualifications, only paying for the Extended Diploma registration.

Level 3 Diploma and Extended Diploma CCLD (Northern Ireland) Bundle

Bundle will include:

- Level 3 Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development (Northern Ireland) (603/6039/2)
- Level 3 Extended Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development (Northern Ireland) (603/7477/9)

When registering against bundle code NDF4400 learners will be registered on the Level 3 Extended Diploma and the Level 3 Diploma for Children's Care Learning and Development. Centres will receive a discounted price for the two qualifications, only paying for the Extended Diploma registration.

Level 5 Diplomas in HSC (Adult Management) and CCLD (Northern Ireland) Bundle

Bundle will include:

- Level 5 Diploma in Leadership for Health and Social Care Services (Northern Ireland) (603/6041/0/AM) – Adult Management pathway
- Level 5 Diploma in Leadership for Children's Care, Learning and Development (Management) (Northern Ireland) (603/6040/9)

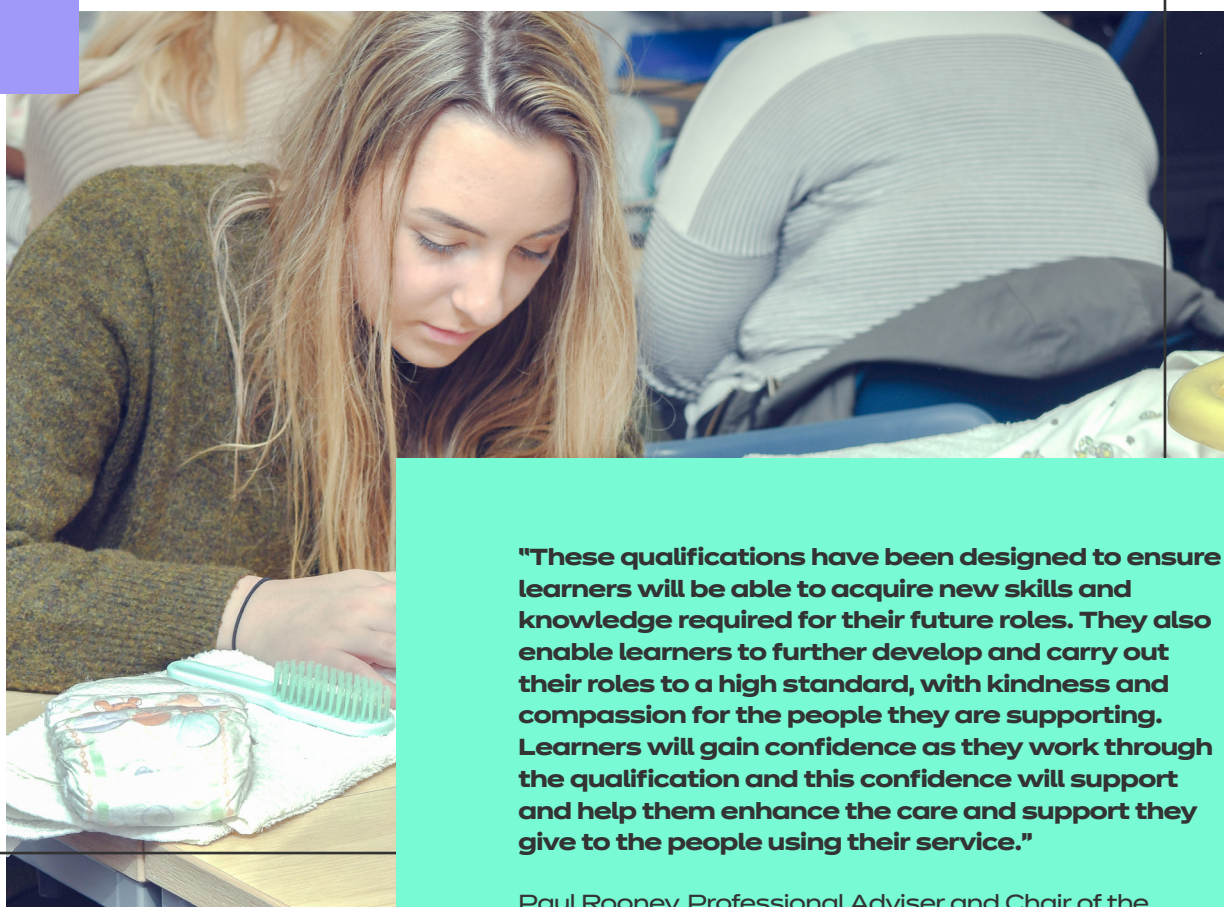
5% discount fee applied to the total fee using bundle code NDF6307.

Level 5 Diplomas in HSC (Adult Residential Management) and CCLD (Northern Ireland) Bundle

Bundle will include:

- Level 5 Diploma in Leadership for Health and Social Care Services (Northern Ireland) (603/6041/0/ARM) – Adult Residential Management pathway
- Level 5 Diploma in Leadership for Children's Care, Learning and Development (Management) (Northern Ireland) (603/6040/9)

5% discount fee applied to the total fee using bundle code NDF0775.



"These qualifications have been designed to ensure learners will be able to acquire new skills and knowledge required for their future roles. They also enable learners to further develop and carry out their roles to a high standard, with kindness and compassion for the people they are supporting. Learners will gain confidence as they work through the qualification and this confidence will support and help them enhance the care and support they give to the people using their service."

Paul Rooney, Professional Adviser and Chair of the Social Care and Early Years Qualification panel at the Northern Ireland Social Care Council

Other qualifications available for delivery in Northern Ireland

To further support centres, we also have a wide range of other qualifications in other sectors approved for delivery in Northern Ireland. You can find a list of these below, and more detailed information is available on [QualHub](#).

Qualifications approved by CCEA, regulated after June 2016 and ticked England and NI on the Ofqual register

Children and Young People

- [NCFE CACHE Entry Level 3 Certificate in Caring for a Child/Children \(500/9353/8\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 1 Certificate in Caring for Children \(500/9009/4\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 1 Diploma in Caring for Children \(501/1015/9\)](#)

Supporting Teaching and Learning

- [NCFE CACHE Level 1 Award in Preparing to Work in Schools \(603/2477/6\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning \(603/2476/4\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 2 Award in Support Work in Schools and Colleges \(603/2478/8\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in Supporting Teaching and Learning \(603/2495/8\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 3 Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning \(603/2498/3\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Supporting Teaching and Learning \(603/2496/X\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 4 Certificate for the Advanced Practitioner in Schools and Colleges \(603/2474/0\)](#)

Arts, Media and Publishing

- [NCFE Level 1 Award in Creative Craft \(601/3360/0\)](#)
- [NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Photography \(601/3391/0\)](#)
- [NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Music Technology \(501/1216/8\)](#)

Preparation for Life and Work

- [NCFE Level 1 Award in Occupational Studies for the Workplace \(601/1087/9\)](#)
- [NCFE Level 1 Award in Preparing to Learn \(600/5127/9\)](#)
- [NCFE Level 1 Award in Learning to Learn \(501/1134/6\)](#)
- [NCFE Level 2 Award in Reflective Practice \(600/4643/0\)](#)
- [NCFE Level 2 Award in Job Search and Interview Skills \(600/1748/X\)](#)

Early Years Educator

- [NCFE CACHE Level 2 Award in an Introduction to Neuroscience in Early Years \(603/5216/4\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award for Special Educational Needs Coordinators in Early Years Settings \(603/3476/9\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 4 Certificate in Neuroscience in Early Years \(603/5217/6\)](#)

Retail and Commercial Enterprise

- [NCFE Level 2 Certificate In Retail Knowledge \(600/2139/1\)](#)
- [NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Event Planning \(501/1079/2\)](#)

Leisure, Travel and Tourism

- [NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Introduction to Cabin Crew \(600/0474/5\)](#)
- [NCFE Level 3 Introductory Diploma in Travel and Tourism \(601/7934/X\)](#)
- [NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Travel and Tourism \(601/7935/1\)](#)
- [NCFE Level 3 Extended Diploma in Travel and Tourism \(601/7936/3\)](#)

Engineering and Manufacturing Technologies

- [NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Aviation Operations on the Ground \(Knowledge\) \(501/1281/8\)](#)

Health and Social Care

- [NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in Paediatric First Aid \(603/0752/3\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in Emergency Paediatric First Aid \(603/3400/9\)](#)

Business, Administration and Law

- [NCFE Level 3 Certificate in Principles of Customer Service \(VRQ\) \(601/7073/6\)](#)

Qualifications regulated prior to June 2016 that do not require CCEA approval and ticked for England and NI only on the Ofqual register

Health and social care

- [NCFE CACHE Level 1 Award in Alcohol Awareness \(601/3184/6\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 1 Award in Mental Health Awareness \(501/0253/9\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Health and Social Care \(601/8854/6\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 2 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care \(601/8855/8\)](#)
- [NCFE CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care \(600/0047/8\)](#)

Qualifications recently approved by CCEA, ticked for England and NI only on the Ofqual register

Children and Young People

- [NCFE CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Working with Children in Early Years and Primary Settings](#)

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"As a practitioner at the beginning of my career, I have found the support, information and direction provided by CACHE Alumni invaluable in helping me achieve."

Jake Forecast, Level 3 in Early Years Education and Care (Early Years Educator)