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## New unit programmes

<b>Unit programme</b>	<a href="#"><u>Service Improvement and Development in Adult Care (L/616/6406/UNITCACHE)</u></a>
<b>Go-live date</b>	21 June 2024
<b>Useful information</b>	<p>This unit is suitable for learners aged 19 and above.</p> <p>This unit is internally assessed via a portfolio of evidence. Learners will need to be working, volunteering or on practical placement to be able to show competence in both knowledge and skills.</p> <p>This unit must be assessed in line Skills for Care and Development Assessment Principles.</p> <p>The aim of this unit is to provide learners with the knowledge, understanding and skills for service improvement and development in adult care.</p>
<b>Guided learning hours (GLH)</b>	25
<b>Credit</b>	3
<b>Level</b>	4
<b>Fee</b>	£15



## Qualification update

<b>Qualification</b>	<a href="#"><b>NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in Transition to Playwork (603/7635/1)</b></a>
<b>Summary of update</b>	<p>We are pleased to announce that the review date for the above qualification has been extended in England and Wales to 31 July 2027.</p> <p>The aim of this qualification is to provide learners, who have experience and who are qualified at level 3 in working with children, with an understanding of the playwork principles and theories that underpin playwork practice. The qualification also aims to cover how applying the playwork principles and theories provides a framework that enables and supports children's play, and their overall development. It also offers an opportunity for reflection on the learner's own practice and supports progression to competence-based playwork qualifications.</p> <p>For more details about this qualification, please visit the <a href="#">qualification page</a>. If you are using the Qualification Specification for planning purposes, please make sure you are using the most recent version.</p>
<b>Date amendment comes into effect</b>	31 July 2024



## Withdrawals

<b>Qualifications</b>	<p><b>NCFE Level 4 Diploma: Software Developer (610/1064/9)</b>  <b>NCFE CACHE Level 5 Diploma: Senior Metrology Technician (610/1066/2)</b></p>
<b>Reasons for withdrawal</b>	<p>The above qualifications have not been made available for registration. The decision to not go live with these qualifications is due to a change in business focus.</p>
<b>Suitable alternatives</b>	<p>NCFE Level 4 Diploma: Data Analyst (603/7751/3)          NCFE Level 4 Diploma: Cyber Security Engineer (603/7748/3)</p>



## 2024 New early years educator provision and withdrawals

We are pleased to announce that in September 2024 we will have an updated suite of early years educator (EYE) qualifications, ranging from levels 3 to 5, that meet the new Department for Education (DfE) EYE criteria that come into effect from 1 September 2024.

Due to the expansion of the number of new DfE EYE criteria that must be met, this will also result in a number of withdrawals where current qualifications have been updated resulting in new qualification reference numbers. Some qualifications are also being withdrawn due to funding being removed for 16 to 18 year olds.

Please see below tables for further details around the launch of the new qualifications and the last available registration dates for learners for any qualifications and unit programmes that will be being withdrawn. Withdrawn qualifications and unit programmes will no longer be available for registrations after their operational end date and certificates will not be issued after the certification end date.

Our new EYE provision is currently with the DfE and we hope to gain their approval very soon with confirmation of our new qualifications on the DfE early years qualification list.

More information about our early years provision will be available in the coming months. In the meantime, please refer to the DfE EYE criteria to understand the new requirements for early years educators from September 2024, the new criteria can be found here: [Early years educator \(level 3\): qualifications criteria.](#)

Qualifications	Operational end date	Certification end date	Replacement qualification availability
<a href="#">T Level Technical Qualification in Education and Early Years (Level 3) (Delivered By NCFE) (603/5829/4)</a>	N/A	N/A	The current qualification will continue to be available for learners and has been updated to reflect the new EYE criteria. The updated version will be available from 1 September 2024
<a href="#">NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator) (601/2629/2)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027	New updated version will be available from 1 September 2024
<a href="#">NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Montessori Pedagogy – Birth to Seven (Early Years Educator) (601/4573/0)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027	New updated version will be available from 1 September 2024



Qualifications	Operational end date	Certification end date	Replacement qualification availability
<a href="#">NCFE CACHE Level 4 Diploma in Montessori Pedagogy – Birth to Seven (Early Years Educator) (601/4481/6)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027	New updated version will be available from 1 September 2024
<a href="#">NCFE CACHE Level 5 Diploma for the Early Years Senior Practitioner (603/3907/X)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027	New updated version will be available from 1 September 2024
<a href="#">NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in Childcare and Education (601/3998/5)</a>	N/A	N/A	This qualification will continue to be available for learners
<a href="#">NCFE CACHE Level 3 Certificate in Childcare and Education (601/3999/7)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027	These qualifications will have their 16 to 19 funding withdrawn. Although there are no direct replacement qualifications, learners will have a choice of new updated equivalent EYE qualifications (referred to above) from 1 September 2024. *For technical qualifications that appear in the DfE performance tables, these will count towards 16 to 18 performance measures in 2024 and 2025 only.
<a href="#">NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator) (601/4000/8)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027	
<a href="#">*NCFE CACHE Technical Level 3 Certificate in Childcare and Education (601/8436/X)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027	
<a href="#">*NCFE CACHE Technical Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator) (601/8437/1)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027	

Unit programmes	Registration end date	Certification end date
<b>Featured in 601/3999/7, 601/4000/8, 601/8436/X, 601/8437/1</b>		
<a href="#">Understanding Children’s Additional Needs (H/506/5393/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Providing Safe Environments for Children (L/506/5386/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Observation, Assessment and Planning (M/506/5395/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Child Health (Y/506/5388/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Play and Learning (Y/506/5391/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<b>Featured in 601/3999/7 and 601/4000/8</b>		
<a href="#">Professional Practice Portfolio 1 (R/506/5387/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027



Unit programmes	Registration end date	Certification end date
<b>Featured in 601/4000/8 only</b>		
<a href="#">Professional Practice Portfolio 2 (F/506/5398/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<b>Featured in 601/2629/2 only</b>		
<a href="#">Promoting Children's Physical Development (A/505/9826/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Plan, Lead and Review Play Opportunities Which Support Children's Learning and Development (D/505/9818/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Understand Legislation Relating to the Safeguarding, Protection and Welfare of Children (F/505/9813/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Engage in Professional Development (F/505/9830/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Promote Enabling Play Environments (H/505/9819/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Support Children's Transition to School (H/505/9822/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Use Legislation Relating to the Health and Safety of Children (J/505/9814/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Use Observation, Assessment and Planning to Promote the Development of Children (J/505/9828/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Develop Children's Cognitive Skills (K/505/9823/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Support Healthy Lifestyles for Children Through the Provision of Food and Nutrition (L/505/9300/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Follow Legislation Relating to Equality, Diversity and Inclusive Practice (L/505/9815/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Promote Children's Speech, Language and Communication (M/505/9824/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Working in Partnership (R/505/9816/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Promoting Children's Personal, Social and Emotional Development (T/505/9825/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Understand the Value of Play in Early Years (Y/505/9817/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<b>Featured in 603/3907/X only</b>		
<a href="#">Lead and Manage a Team Within an Early Years Setting (A/617/3769/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Understand Holistic Child Development From Birth to 7 Years (D/617/3764/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Develop and Implement Policies and Procedures to Support the Safeguarding of Children (H/617/3765/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Lead Practice in Promoting the Well-Being and Resilience in Children (J/617/3760/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Develop Health and Safety and Risk Management Policies, Procedures and Practices in Early Years Settings (K/617/3766/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027



Unit programmes	Registration end date	Certification end date
<a href="#">Model Positive Behaviour in the Early Years (L/617/3761/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Supporting Children With Special Educational Needs and Disability in an Early Years Setting (M/617/3767/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Quality Provision in Early Years Settings (M/617/3770/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Manage Care Routines for Children (R/617/3759/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Lead Activities, Experiences and Educational Opportunities to Promote Children's Speech, Language and Communication (R/617/3762/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Work in Partnership in Early Years Settings (T/617/3768/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Review Own Knowledge of Learning and Development for Early Years Practice (T/617/3771/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Lead Children's Early Education and Development (Y/617/3763/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<b>Featured in 601/2629/2 and 603/3907/X</b>		
<a href="#">Developing Children's Emergent Mathematical Skills (D/505/9821/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027
<a href="#">Developing Children's Emergent Literacy Skills (Y/505/9820/UNITCACHE)</a>	31/08/2024	31/08/2027





**Notification of apprenticeship bundle withdrawals – Early Years Educator qualifications**

Due to the updated suite of early years educator (EYE) qualifications that meet the new Department for Education (DfE) EYE criteria that comes into effect from 01 September 2024, the NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator) (601/2629/2) will be withdrawn for new registrations on 31 August 2024, as previously notified.

As a result of this, the apprenticeship bundles that feature this qualification will be withdrawn and will be replaced with new apprenticeship bundles featuring the replacement qualification NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma for Working in the Early Years Sector (Early Years Educator) (610/4164/6).

Please see the below table for further details around the apprenticeship bundles that will be withdrawn and the last available registration dates for learners. Withdrawn apprenticeship bundles will no longer be available for registrations after their operational end date and certificates will not be issued after the certification end date.

Current Apprenticeship bundle code	Current apprenticeship bundle	Registration/ operational end date	Certification end date	New apprenticeship bundle availability
<a href="#">APP0957</a>	Early Years Educator Apprenticeship (with Functional Skills) (without First Aid) – includes the following qualifications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator) 601/2629/2</li> <li>• NCFE Level 2 Functional Skills Qualification in English 603/5054/4</li> <li>• NCFE Level 2 Functional Skills Qualification in Mathematics 603/5060/X</li> </ul>	31 August 2024	31 August 2027	New updated version with the replacement EYE qualification will be available from 01 September 2024



Current Apprenticeship bundle code	Current apprenticeship bundle	Registration/ operational end date	Certification end date	New apprenticeship bundle availability
<a href="#">APP5687</a>	<p>Early Years Educator Apprenticeship Standard Bundle – Mandatory Qualifications Only – includes the following qualifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator) 601/2629/2</li> <li>• NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in Paediatric First Aid 603/0752/3</li> </ul>	31 August 2024	31 August 2027	New updated version with the replacement EYE qualification will be available from 01 September 2024
<a href="#">APP9362</a>	<p>Early Years Educator Apprenticeship Standard Bundle – Mandatory Qualifications &amp; Functional Skills – includes the following qualifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator) 601/2629/2</li> <li>• NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in Paediatric First Aid 603/0752/3</li> <li>• NCFE Level 2 Functional Skills Qualification in English 603/5054/4</li> <li>• NCFE Level 2 Functional Skills Qualification in Mathematics 603/5060/X</li> </ul>	31 August 2024	31 August 2027	New updated version with the replacement EYE qualification will be available from 01 September 2024