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New qualifications

Qualification	<u>NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care Practice (Northern Ireland) (610/6571/7)</u>
Go-live date	01 April 2026
Useful information	<p>This qualification is suitable for learners aged 18 and above.</p> <p>This qualification is designed for learners to develop the knowledge and skills required to work in a range of health and social care settings within Northern Ireland. The learner must be employed in a health and social care role in an appropriate setting to be able to meet the assessment requirements of this qualification.</p> <p>The mandatory units cover core competencies in health and social care:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • continuing professional development (CPD) • promoting effective communication and information sharing • promoting and implementing health and safety • understand safeguarding, protection and duty of care • understand mental capacity and restrictive practices • promoting and implementing person-centred practice • promoting equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI) <p>The optional units allow learners to choose from a wide variety of areas to tailor the qualification to their needs and interests, and to reflect the context of their work.</p> <p>Learners registered on this qualification should not undertake another qualification at the same level, or with the same/a similar title, as duplication of learning may affect funding eligibility.</p> <p>This qualification replaces the NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Northern Ireland) (603/4724/7), due for withdrawal on 01 April 2026.</p>



	<p>This qualification has been approved as eligible for DCS so that centres can prove they meet the standards and requirements to deliver this qualification.</p> <p>This qualification is underpinned by the National Occupational Standards (NOS) for health and social care and is aligned with the Level 3 Health and Social Care Apprenticeship framework, endorsed by the Northern Ireland Social Care Council (NISCC) and sits within the Care in Practice (CiP) framework.</p> <p>To apply for approval for this qualification please visit the qualification page on the NCFE website.</p>
Guided learning hours (GLH)	440
Total qualification time (TQT)	311
Credit	44
Level	3
Fee	£135

Qualification	<u>NCFE CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Safe and Effective Practice in Health and Social Care (Northern Ireland) (610/6939/5)</u>
Go-live date	01 April 2026
Useful information	<p>This qualification is suitable for learners aged 17 and above.</p> <p>This qualification is designed for learners who wish to gain specialist knowledge and skills to enable them to work as a social care worker within health and social care services in Northern Ireland.</p> <p>The qualification is formed of 7 mandatory units. The 7 mandatory units are shared with the NCFE CACHE Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Northern Ireland) (610/5996/1) qualification.</p>



	<p>The mandatory units cover core competencies that have been categorised around the following key themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • communication and information sharing • health, safety and wellbeing • principles, standards and values • continuing professional development (CPD) in the context of health and social care <p>Learners must be employed in relevant health and social care roles in Northern Ireland.</p> <p>This qualification is eligible for direct claims status (DCS).</p> <p>If you have achieved or maintained DCS with another Ofqual-recognised awarding organisation within the last calendar year for this version of the qualification offered by NCFE, we may be able to honour this.</p> <p>To apply for approval for this qualification please visit the qualification page on the NCFE website. Find out more about funding for this and other qualifications on our funding page.</p>
Stakeholder involvement	This qualification is underpinned by the National Occupational Standards for health and social care and is aligned with the Level 2 Health and Social Care Apprenticeship Framework endorsed by the Northern Ireland Social Care Council (NISCC) and will be the entry point to the Care in Practice (CiP) Framework.
Guided learning hours (GLH)	160
Total qualification time (TQT)	200
Credit	20
Level	2
Fee	£65



Qualification	<u>NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care (610/7192/4)</u>
Go-live date	1 April 2026
Useful information	<p>This qualification is suitable for learners aged 16 and above.</p> <p>This qualification is designed to provide learners with the knowledge, understanding and skills required to develop competence as a lead adult care worker in a range of care settings.</p> <p>The qualification contains both mandatory and optional units, allowing learners to tailor the qualification to meet their needs, interests, preferred progression paths and the context of their job role.</p> <p>The content is applicable to a variety of roles and covers a wide range of areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • aspects of support • specialisms • clinical skills or healthcare tasks • leadership and management skills <p>It is aimed at all those who wish to work, or are already working in, health and social care settings in England.</p> <p>This qualification replaces NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care (610/0498/4), which will be withdrawn 31 July 2026.</p> <p>This qualification is eligible for direct claims status (DCS).</p> <p>To apply for approval for this qualification please visit the qualification page on the NCFE website.</p>
Guided learning hours (GLH)	453
Total qualification time (TQT)	580
Credit	58
Level	3



Fee	£140
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Qualification	<u>NCFE CACHE Level 5 Diploma in Leading and Managing an Adult Care Service (610/7215/1)</u>
Go-live date	1 April 2026
Useful information	<p>This qualification is suitable for learners aged 19 and above.</p> <p>It is aimed at those working in a managerial role in an adult care setting who are looking to progress their career. It is also appropriate for managers who have not yet achieved a vocational qualification at level 5.</p> <p>The qualification provides learners with the knowledge and skills needed to work in adult social care and to have responsibility for leading and managing a service. This will include managing and improving care and support for individuals accessing the service, supporting and developing the workforce, and driving the vision for their service or organisation.</p> <p>This qualification:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is part of the Leader in Adult Care apprenticeship standard • replaces NCFE CACHE Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care (610/0673/7), which will be withdrawn 31 July 2026 <p>This qualification is eligible for direct claims status (DCS).</p> <p>To apply for approval for this qualification please visit the qualification page on the NCFE website.</p>
Guided learning hours (GLH)	805
Total qualification time (TQT)	950
Credit	95
Level	5
Fee	£187



New unit programmes

Unit programme	<u>Understand Models of Disability (F/601/3473/UNITCACHE)</u>
Go-live date	12 March 2026
Useful information	This unit is suitable for learners aged 16 and above. The purpose of this unit is to provide the learner with knowledge and understanding of models of disability.
Guided learning hours (GLH)	26
Credit	3
Level	3
Fee	£16

Unit programme	<u>Understand the Playwork Principles (A/650/0574/UNITCACHE)</u>
Go-live date	13 March 2026
Useful information	This unit is suitable for learners aged 16 and above. This unit allows the learner to explore the playwork principles that underpin playwork practice.
Guided learning hours (GLH)	21
Credit	3
Level	2
Fee	£16



Qualification amendment

Qualification	<u>NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in Paediatric First Aid (603/0752/3)</u>
Summary of amendment	<p>Qualification Specification updated to version 7.2.</p> <p>This version includes updates to age ranges covered by the qualification, and indicative content.</p> <p>Terminology has been updated to clarify that the category 'infant and child' now includes adolescents, the term 'diabetic' has been removed from the hypoglycaemic emergency definition, and eye, ear and nose foreign bodies have been described.</p> <p>Updates have been made to unit assessment guidance and indicative content for Units PFA1 and PFA2.</p> <p>These changes enhance clarity, improve consistency across the specification, and ensure compliance with sector and regulatory expectations.</p>
Date amendment comes into effect	31 March 2026



Qualification	<u>NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in Emergency Paediatric First Aid (603/3400/9)</u>
Summary of amendment	<p>Qualification Specification updated to version 2.2.</p> <p>This version includes updates to age ranges covered by the qualification, and indicative content.</p> <p>Terminology has been updated to clarify that the category ‘infant and child’ now includes adolescents.</p> <p>Updates have been made to unit assessment guidance and indicative content for Unit PFA 1.</p> <p>These changes enhance clarity, improve consistency across the specification, and ensure compliance with sector and regulatory expectations.</p>
Date amendment comes into effect	31 March 2026

Qualifications	<u>NCFE CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Understanding Tenant Support in Social Housing (603/4273/0)</u>
Summary of amendment	<p>This qualification has been reviewed and updated to ensure that it remains current and fit for purpose.</p> <p>Updates have been made to the delivery and assessment guidance for units 01, 03, 04 and 05.</p> <p>From 30 April 2026, please refer to the updated Qualification Specification on the NCFE website.</p>
Date amendment comes into effect	30 April 2026



Withdrawals

Qualifications	<p>T Level Technical Qualification in Health (Level 3) (delivered by NCFE) (603/7066/X) T Level Technical Qualification in Science (Level 3) (delivered by NCFE) (603/6989/9) T Level Technical Qualification in Healthcare Science (Level 3) (delivered by NCFE) (603/7083/X)</p>
Registration end date	<p>Standard student registration dates were 01 September 2025 to 01 November 2025.</p> <p>The last date we can accept very late student registrations is 31 July 2026. Please note that a charge will be applied for very late registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your students are aware that these qualifications are no longer available after the last date of registration.</p> <p>Please refer to the Key Dates Schedule on the NCFE website for more information.</p>
Certification end date	<p>31 August 2028</p> <p>Please note that the certification of T Levels is managed by the DfE. Further information can be found at T Levels results and certification.</p>
Assessment information	<p>Further assessment opportunities will continue to be scheduled, for existing and continuing students in the 2025/2026 cohort, until summer 2028.</p>
Reason for withdrawal	<p>These qualifications will be replaced by new Generation 2 T Levels in Health and Science from September 2026. We will not deliver these new T Levels.</p>



Qualification	<u>NCFE CACHE Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults) (Northern Ireland) (603/4401/5)</u>
Registration end date	<p>01 April 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your learners are aware that this qualification is no longer available after the withdrawal date.</p>
Late registration	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification's withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
Certification end date	<p>01 April 2028</p> <p>This is the last date we can process learner certificates.</p>
Reason for withdrawal	This decision is due to the launch of a replacement qualification, provided by the Northern Ireland Social Care Council (NISCC) in collaboration with NCFE, to ensure the offer remains current and aligned with sectoral requirements.
Suitable alternative/ replacement qualification	The replacement qualification, <u>NCFE CACHE Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Northern Ireland) (610/5996/1)</u> , launched on 31 October 2025



Qualification	<p><u>NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Skills for Business: Retail (601/2651/6)</u> <u>NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Understanding Retail Operations (601/3338/7)</u> <u>NCFE Level 1 Award in Retail Knowledge (601/7957/0)</u></p>
Registration end date	<p>31 July 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your learners are aware that these qualifications are no longer available after the withdrawal date.</p>
Late registration	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification’s withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
Certification end date	<p>NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Skills for Business: Retail (601/2651/6) – 31 July 2029 NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Understanding Retail Operations (601/3338/7) – 31 July 2028 NCFE Level 1 Award in Retail Knowledge (601/7957/0) – 31 July 2027</p> <p>These are the last dates we can process learner certificates.</p>
Reason for withdrawal	<p>These qualifications are being withdrawn due to low registration numbers.</p>



Qualification	NCFE Level 3 Certificate in Search Engine Optimisation (SEO) and Analytics (610/0585/X)
Registration end date	<p>31 July 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your learners are aware that this qualification is no longer available after the withdrawal date.</p>
Late registration	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification’s withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
Certification end date	<p>31 July 2029</p> <p>This is the last date we can process learner certificates.</p>
Reason for withdrawal	<p>This qualification is being withdrawn as part of an NCFE portfolio review.</p>



Qualification	NCFE Level 3 Certificate in the Principles of Blockchain (610/0522/8)
Registration end date	<p>31 July 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your learners are aware that this qualification is no longer available after the withdrawal date.</p>
Late registration	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification's withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
Certification end date	<p>31 July 2029</p> <p>This is the last date we can process learner certificates.</p>
Reason for withdrawal	<p>This qualification is being withdrawn as part of an NCFE portfolio review.</p>



Qualification	NCFE Level 3 Certificate in Mobile Application Development (610/0568/X)
Registration end date	<p>31 July 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your learners are aware that this qualification is no longer available after the withdrawal date.</p>
Late registration	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification's withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
Certification end date	<p>31 July 2029</p> <p>This is the last date we can process learner certificates.</p>
Reason for withdrawal	<p>This qualification is being withdrawn as part of an NCFE portfolio review.</p>



Qualification	<u>NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Digital Customer Relationship Management (CRM) (610/0537/X)</u>
Registration end date	<p>31 July 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your learners are aware that this qualification is no longer available after the withdrawal date.</p>
Late registration	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification's withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
Certification end date	<p>31 July 2028</p> <p>This is the last date we can process learner certificates.</p>
Reason for withdrawal	<p>This qualification is being withdrawn as part of an NCFE portfolio review.</p>



Qualification	NCFE Level 3 Certificate in Web Design (603/7370/2)
Registration end date	<p>31 July 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your learners are aware that this qualification is no longer available after the withdrawal date.</p>
Late registration	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification's withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
Certification end date	<p>31 July 2029</p> <p>This is the last date we can process learner certificates.</p>
Reason for withdrawal	<p>This qualification is being withdrawn as part of an NCFE portfolio review.</p>



<p>Qualification</p>	<p><u>NCFE Level 4 Award in Programming (PHP) (603/7501/2/PHP)</u> <u>NCFE Level 4 Award in Programming (Java) (603/7501/2/JAV)</u> <u>NCFE Level 4 Award in Programming (Python) (603/7501/2/PYT)</u> <u>NCFE Level 4 Award in Programming (C#) (603/7501/2/C#)</u></p>
<p>Registration end date</p>	<p>31 July 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your learners are aware that these qualifications are no longer available after the withdrawal date.</p>
<p>Late registration</p>	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification’s withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
<p>Certification end date</p>	<p>31 July 2029</p> <p>This is the last date we can process learner certificates.</p>
<p>Reason for withdrawal</p>	<p>These qualifications are being withdrawn as part of an NCFE portfolio review.</p>



Qualification	NCFE CACHE Level 1 Award in Working with Children (501/0417/2)
Registration end date	<p>31 July 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your learners are aware that this qualification is no longer available after the withdrawal date.</p>
Late registration	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification's withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
Certification end date	<p>31 July 2027</p> <p>This is the last date we can process learner certificates.</p>
Reason for withdrawal	<p>This qualification is being withdrawn as part of an NCFE portfolio review.</p>



Qualification	<p><u>NCFE Level 1 Award in Job Search and Employment Potential (601/1280/3)</u> <u>NCFE Level 1 Certificate in Job Search and Employment Potential (601/1281/5)</u></p>
Registration end date	<p>31 July 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your learners are aware that these qualifications are no longer available after the withdrawal date.</p>
Late registration	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification's withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
Certification end date	<p>31 July 2027</p> <p>This is the last date we can process learner certificates.</p>
Reason for withdrawal	<p>These qualifications are being withdrawn as part of an NCFE portfolio review.</p>
Unit programmes	<p>The following unit programmes will also be withdrawn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparing to Achieve Own Job Goals (F/503/1557/UNIT) Promoting Yourself and Preparing for a Job Interview (F/503/1560/UNIT) Motivation for Work (D/505/5560/UNIT) Money Matters for Employment (K/505/5559/UNIT) Principles of Marketing (L/505/5554/UNIT) Recruitment Methods (J/505/5570/UNIT) Understanding Business Culture and Values (Y/505/6772/UNIT)



<p>Qualification</p>	<p><u>NCFE Entry Level Award in Creative Craft (Entry 1) (600/4942/X)</u> <u>NCFE Entry Level Award in Creative Craft (Entry 2) (600/4943/1)</u> <u>NCFE Level 1 Award in Creative Crafts Using Art and Design (500/5959/2/ART)</u> <u>NCFE Level 1 Certificate in Art and Design (601/0677/3)</u> <u>NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Art and Design (500/8988/2)</u></p>
<p>Registration end date</p>	<p>31 July 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your learners are aware that these qualifications are no longer available after the withdrawal date.</p>
<p>Late registration</p>	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification's withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
<p>Certification end date</p>	<p>NCFE Entry level Award in Creative Craft (Entry 1) (600/4942/X) – 31 July 2027 NCFE Entry level Award in Creative Craft (Entry 2) (600/4943/1) – 31 July 2027 NCFE Level 1 Award in Creative Crafts Using Art and Design (500/5959/2/ART) – 31 July 2027 NCFE Level 1 Certificate in Art and Design (601/0677/3) – 31 July 2027 NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Art and Design (500/8988/2) – 31 July 2028</p> <p>These are the last dates we can process learner certificates.</p>
<p>Reason for withdrawal</p>	<p>These qualifications are being withdrawn as part of an NCFE portfolio review.</p>



Qualification	<p><u>NCFE Level 1 Certificate in Performance Skills (500/9177/3)</u> <u>NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Performance Skills (500/9918/8)</u></p>
Registration end date	<p>31 July 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your learners are aware that these qualifications are no longer available after the withdrawal date.</p>
Late registration	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification's withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
Certification end date	<p>NCFE Level 1 Certificate in Performance Skills (500/9177/3) – 31 July 2027 NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Performance Skills (500/9918/8) – 31 July 2028</p> <p>These are the last dates we can process learner certificates.</p>
Reason for withdrawal	<p>These qualifications are being withdrawn as part of an NCFE portfolio review.</p>
Unit programmes	<p>The following unit programme will also be withdrawn:</p> <p>Develop Technique for Performance (F/601/2341/UNIT)</p>

Qualification	<p><u>NCFE CACHE Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults) (Northern Ireland) (603/5355/7)</u></p>
Registration end date	<p>01 October 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p>



	Please ensure your learners are aware that this qualification is no longer available after the withdrawal date.
Late registration	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification's withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
Certification end date	<p>01 October 2029</p> <p>This is the last date we can process learner certificates.</p>
Reason for withdrawal	There are no learner registrations and no approved centres offering the qualification.

Qualification	<u>NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults) (Northern Ireland) (603/4724/7)</u>
Registration end date	<p>01 October 2026</p> <p>This is the last date we can accept learner registrations.</p> <p>Please ensure your learners are aware that this qualification is no longer available after the withdrawal date.</p>
Late registration	<p>Consequences of failure to make timely registration before qualification withdrawal</p> <p>As stated in your centre agreement under Section 10, you must ensure each learner is promptly registered in accordance with our Registration and Certification Policy. If your centre fails to register learners ahead of the qualification's withdrawal, this will be considered as malpractice or maladministration as it is in breach of our centre agreement. Should you make late registrations on any of our qualifications, your account will be referred to our Provider Assurance team for them to consider appropriate actions, which may include applying sanctions.</p>
Certification end date	01 October 2029



	This is the last date we can process learner certificates.
Reason for withdrawal	This decision is due to the launch of a replacement qualification, provided by the Northern Ireland Social Care Council (NISCC) in collaboration with awarding organisations (AOs) to ensure the offer remains current and aligned with sectoral requirements.
Suitable alternative/ replacement qualification	The replacement qualification is NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care Practice (Northern Ireland) (610/6571/7) . More information about this qualification and how it differs from the qualification being withdrawn can be found here on the NCFE website.