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Dear Deidre

Letter of support for the Pearson *BTEC National in Health and Social Care*

As an employer in the health care sector, we recognise the following qualifications as being fit for purpose:

Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Health and Social Care
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Health and Social Care
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Health and Social care
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Health and Social Care
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care
Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Health Care

The qualifications will support learners to progress to employment or within employment in a range of job roles across the industry, for example as nursing and midwives assistants.

For such roles, we believe that these qualifications provide an appropriate level of knowledge and skills, meeting the needs of the business and the individual, ensuring employees are appropriately skilled for the job and able to deliver to the standard that the sector expects.

The qualifications will also support learners to progress to university to programmes leading to professional roles such as nursing if there is appropriate amount of science units in their study programme. We particularly welcome the wide range of options available to learners for the 1080 health studies pathway, including anatomy and physiology, microbiology for health science, biochemistry for health and genetics as this will benefit them, by giving them the wide scientific content, necessary for progressing in health care.

We are happy for Pearson to use this letter in support of its work with government and its agencies, to ensure that this invaluable qualification can continue to be recognised for college performance tables and 19+ funding.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marion Gallagher". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M'.

Marion Gallagher
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