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Dear Deidre

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

Norfolk Independent Care (NIC) acts as an umbrella group for Norfolk's Care Associations and individual provider organisations, including small local care homes, home care agencies, supported living providers and large corporate organisatons.

As a leading professional body in the health 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 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 care assistants, care support workers, healthcare assistants, and domiciliary care workers.

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 support learners to progress to university to programmes leading to registration for example as nurses and social workers.

Email: enquiries@norfolkindependentcare.co.uk

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

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Dennis Bacon Chairman