

Statement of Purpose

Pearson Edexcel Level 2 Certificate for the Children and Young People's Workforce (QCF)

Qualification Number: 500/9940/1

Who is this qualification for?

This qualification is for you if you want to progress into a career in Children and Young People's Workforce in England.

There are no formal entry requirements but you must be aged 16 years or older.

What does the qualification cover?

You will need to complete mandatory subject areas:

- Contribute to the Support of Child and Young Person Development
- Contribute to Children and Young People's Health and Safety
- Contribute to the Support of Positive Environments for Children and Young People
- Understand Partnership Working in Services for Children and Young People
- Introduction to Communication in Health, Social Care or Children's and Young People's Settings
- Introduction to Personal Development in Health, Social Care or Children's and Young People's Settings
- Introduction to Equality and Inclusion in Health, Social Care or Children's and Young People's Settings
- Child and Young Person Development
- Safeguarding the Welfare of Children and Young People
- Maintain and Support Relationships with Children and Young People
- Support Children and Young People's Positive Behaviour

The qualification has optional units to support such as:

- Understand Child and Young Person Development
- Support Children and Young People's Health and Safety
- Understand How to Support Positive Outcomes for Children and Young People
- Support the Creativity of Children and Young People
- Support Children and Young People at Meal or Snack Times
- Support Children and Young People with Disabilities and Special Educational Needs

To achieve this qualification you must be assessed in the workplace undertaking the role of a Childcare Assistant. The college or Training Provider delivering your qualification must work in partnership with employers in the delivery of this learning programme, through placement/employment opportunities to maximise the value of your experience.

What will this qualification lead to?

This qualification will provide you with practical skills and knowledge to enable you to gain employment and progress in the Children and Young People's sector. There are a variety of jobs available in the sector such as:

- Assistant in children's centre, day nurseries, nursery schools and nursery classes
- Assistant playgroup worker
- Care worker
- Nursery nurse
- Registered childminder
- Registered nanny
- Youth and community worker

Will gaining this qualification lead to further learning?

This qualification can lead to further employment in a range of settings in the Children and Young People's Workforce, in the role of Childcare Assistant and other job titles described above. Level 2 is entry level for most settings, and you may have the opportunity to progress in employment to higher levels or apprenticeship standards such as the:

Advanced Apprenticeship in The Children and Young People's Workforce, this apprenticeship has 3 pathways to choose from, Early Years Educator, Children and Young People's Social Care and Residential Childcare. The following qualifications support this apprenticeship:

- Level 3 Diploma in Children's Learning and Development (Early Years Educator)**
- Level 3 Diploma for the Children and Young People's Workforce
- Level 3 Diploma for Residential Childcare
- Level 2 Award in Employment Rights and Responsibilities in the Health and Social Care and Children and Young People's settings

Transferable Skills

If you have not achieved GCSEs at grade C or above, in maths and English you will be required to undertake Functional Skills in both subjects at Level 2. You will also be required to complete Functional Skills in ICT at Level 2

** For the Level 3 Early Years Educator qualification on completion of the framework you must have achieved GCSE maths and English grades A*-C.

Who supports this qualification?

The Professional Association for Childcare and Early Years (PACEY)