What next?

This course is absolutely the right course for anyone hoping to pursue a career in any of the following professions:

- Social Work
- Nursing
- Midwifery
- Care work
- Youth work
- Education
- Probation Service
- Uniformed services

Careers in these professions can be enabled through apprenticeships, further study at University or by entering directly into employment.

The BTEC has been developed and designed in conjunction with employers-such as the NHS, apprenticeship providers and universities. Time and care has been taken to make sure that the qualification meets the standards required to access any of these progression routes.

You can feel assured that you are taking the first steps towards one of the most rewarding and beneficial careers in the biggest employment sector in the North East of England.

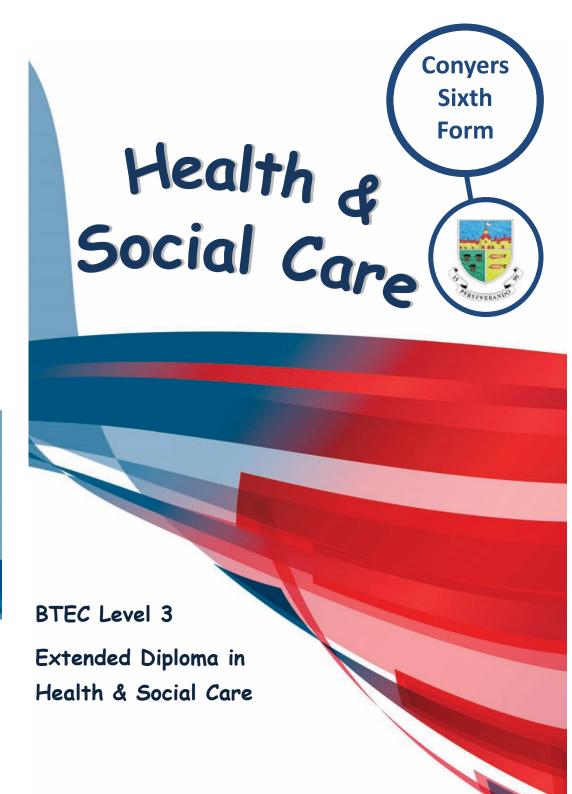
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What is Health & Social Care?

This is an exciting and dynamic course that allows you to develop skills and gain knowledge & understanding about working in the health and social care sector. You will have the opportunity to study a wide range of topical issues from an ever changing and developing world of care service provision. This will include gaining an insight into how individual care & support needs are met, considering the human lifespan and factors that affect development and having the opportunity to gain real life work experience.

Studying BTEC means that you will learn through practical activities and experiences, as well as carrying out research and developing the skills that will enable employment and progression in this vital area. In order for you to make the most of the fantastic opportunities this course will enable, it is essential that you undertake a work based placement in an area of health or social care where you have a specific interest. The requirement for these placements is that you will complete a DBS form before commencing study in year 12.

Why study BTEC Health & Social Care at Conyers?

This course has been designed with you in mind! It is a bespoke qualification that will be tailored to areas of interest expressed during our recruitment process. That means you will influence the choice of optional units we will offer in 2016-it will be your course!

Health and social care is a fantastic and rewarding field of work to progress into. At Conyers Sixth Form, we believe passionately in ensuring that you have the opportunities to learn from the experience of skilled practitioners from a range of backgrounds and also have your own experience of working and developing skills in this field. To make this possible we work in close partnership with a host of local and national services that provide care in our local area. Through this style of learning you will gain a real life understanding of the requirements, procedures and most importantly the values that are necessary to pursue a vocation in health or social care.

The course has a practical element as well as some classroom based learning. It differs from the GCSE experience as the emphasis is focussed on your ability to work independently and take more of a proactive, responsible and practical approach to your studies.

The structure of the course

As the BTEC level 3 extended diploma in health and social care is a new qualification, the structure will be confirmed after consultation with prospective students. There is a mandatory core content which comprises of the following units:

- Human lifespan and development
- Working in health and social care
- Anatomy and physiology
- Meeting individual care and support needs
- Enquiries into current research in health and social care
- Work experience in health and social care
- Principles of safe practice
- Promoting public health

There are a further 5 optional units which will be selected based upon information gathered throughout our recruitment process.

We are keen to deliver a course that meets the needs of the students. To do this we will liaise with prospective students and care services to ensure that the optional units we choose offer a bespoke opportunity for you to study a more personalised programme of study.

Of the 13 units of study, which will be delivered over 2 years, there are 3 exam based topics and the remainder are assessed through coursework.