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MARPLE
SIXTH FORM
COLLEGE

Level 3 Cambridge Technical Diploma in Health & Social Care

Location	Marple College
Course Type	College 16-18
Department	Health & Social Care
Start Date	Monday 1st September 2025
Course Code	MFP-HS3S-1100

Course Overview

The Diploma in Health and Social Care is a two-year course equivalent to 2 A Levels. The course will lead to a highly specialised work-related qualification where you will gain the knowledge, understanding and skills to prepare you to progress to employment or continue to study in Higher Education.

Course Requirements

A minimum of 5 GCSEs at Grade 4 including English and / or Maths at a minimum of level 4. A satisfactory enhanced DBS check will be essential.

Assessment

Students will be assessed by a mixture of coursework (58%), an exam and controlled assessment (42%). Controlled assessment involves completing an assignment in exam conditions with support material.

Career Options

Students can explore many career paths in relation to this course:

1. Nursing degree (Adult, Children, Mental Health and Learning Disabilities)/Midwifery
2. NHS Apprenticeships
3. Social Work/Social Care Work
4. Primary School Teaching
5. Children and Young Peoples Workforce
6. Allied Health professions e.g. Occupational Therapy

Mandatory Units

Building positive relationships in health and social care

Equality, diversity and rights in health and social care

Health, safety and security in health and social care

Anatomy and physiology for health and social care

Infection control

Personalisation and a person-centred approach to care

Safeguarding

Creativity and activity for children and young people

Supporting people with learning disabilities

Nutrition for health

Career planning for health and social care

Promote positive behaviour

Sexual health, reproduction and early development stages

The impact of long-term physiological conditions

Promoting health and wellbeing

Supporting people with dementia

Supporting people with mental health conditions

Caring for older people

Creativity and activity for adults

Principles of youth work practice

Looked after children and young people

Psychology for health and social care

Sociology for health and social care

Public health

Research methods in health, social care and childcare

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