



# HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

**QUALIFICATION:** Cambridge Advanced National

**EXAM BOARD:** OCR

**COURSE LEADER:**  
Mrs Osborn

*"Health and Social Care helped me to decide my career."*

*"I found the research and study skills I gained in Health and Social Care useful for university."*

*"I gained confidence by studying Health and Social Care."*



## BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL SIXTH FORM

A mixed Sixth Form in a selective Grammar school for girls

### COURSE CONTENT

We are delighted to introduce this new curriculum within our well-established department. The Cambridge Advanced National (AAQ) course offers exciting new content and topics relevant to the health and social care sector. Units include:

- Principles of health and social care
- Anatomy and physiology for health and social care
- Person centred approach to care
- Support people with mental health conditions

Two further units, from:

- Supporting people with long term physiological conditions
- Investigating public health
- Supporting people in relation to sexual health, pregnancy and postnatal health
- Supporting healthy nutrition and lifestyles.

The health and social care sectors are among the largest employers and this qualification, equivalent to one A Level, supports progression to the specialised degree programmes required by the sector when taken alongside other relevant A Levels. The qualification was designed with support from a range of employers and universities.

Students will develop professional and personal skills, as well as theoretical knowledge and understanding.

If you are considering a career in one of these increasingly competitive areas, then this course will be of interest to you.

### PREPARATION FOR STUDYING THIS SUBJECT

- Visit [www.healthcareers.nhs.uk](http://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk). Read the practitioners' stories and get an understanding of the wide-ranging job roles and health system in England.
- Look at the websites for charities which support people with health conditions, for example MIND or The Stroke Association
- Watch or listen to the daily news and keep up to date with stories in newspapers, such as The Guardian and Independent, to realise how important the health and social care sector is as part of our daily lives.

### ASSESSMENT

2 x externally assessed examination units

4 x internally assessed, and externally moderated, coursework units

### FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

Most students go on to study Higher Education courses leading to careers in the health and social care sectors including: all disciplines of nursing, midwifery, occupational therapy, physiotherapy and speech and language therapy, social work, paramedic science and many more. Our alumni also regularly share their experience with our students.

Many students have also pursued careers in teaching.

Other students have gone onto a variety of courses such as Business, Film, Fashion and Marketing utilising the study skills they develop studying this course.

Alongside this, students have progressed to apprenticeships in relevant fields.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Full entry requirements can be found on our website. Please ensure you check these as some courses have subject specific requirements that must be met in addition to the general entry requirements to join our Sixth Form.