

Certificate in the Principles of End of Life Care

Level 3 :: 141gh :: 16 credits

Everyone facing life-limiting illness will need some degree of supportive care in addition to treatment for their condition. The Level 3 Certificate in the Principles of End of Life Care is designed to provide learners with an understanding of the principles of palliative care, enabling them to provide comprehensive and appropriate support to people in their care who are nearing the end of life.

Hallmark's materials encourage learners to use a 'person-centred' approach to meet the physical, emotional, social, cultural and spiritual needs of people nearing the end of life and their families. This approach will also increase candidates' awareness of loss, grief and the ways in which they can offer appropriate support to the bereaved. The programme conveys the importance of communication skills when supporting an individual and their family and friends during end of life care. It also explores issues surrounding care planning and the legal implications of any decisions made in relation to this.

Who is it for?

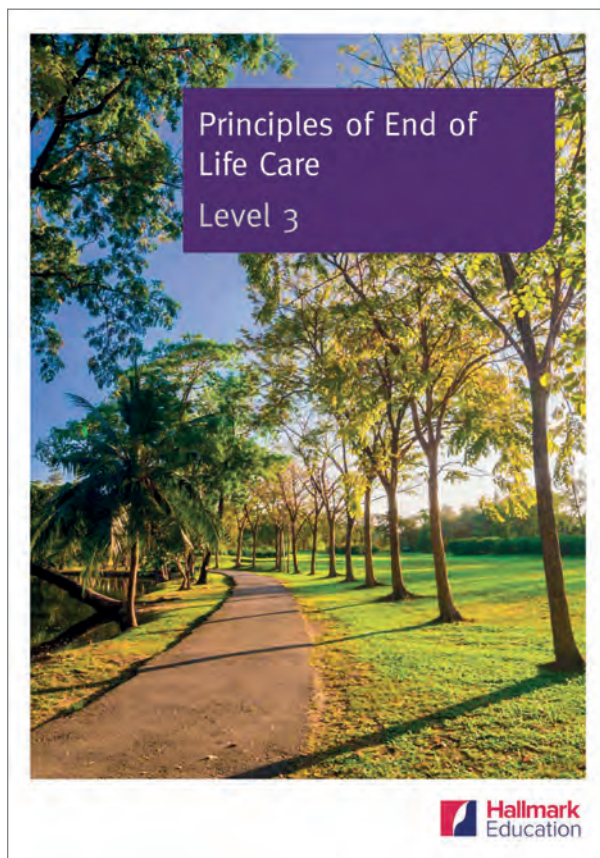
This course is designed for any health or social care worker who wishes to improve their knowledge and understanding of end of life care. It also has relevance to all types of care settings, including hospices, care homes, care in the community and primary care. This course is also appropriate for those who have already achieved other sector-specific qualifications in the health care sector and need to apply their understanding in a palliative care context.

What are the benefits of doing this course?

The programme provides a comprehensive overview of the emotive issues surrounding death and dying. It will help learners to develop their knowledge and understanding of palliative care and its place within end of life care, along with the support services available to the individual and others.

The course also provides employers with a structured training programme that will meet the training needs of their employees. The training programme is mapped to aspects of the knowledge outcomes for Clinical Health Skills and Health and Social Care National Occupational Standards and it may also contribute towards parts of the NHS Knowledge and Skills Framework.





Course content

The NCFE Level 3 Certificate in the Principles of End of Life Care comprises five mandatory units presented in three concise module workbooks:

MODULE A:

Unit 01: Understanding end of life care
(Credit value: 3) (R/601/9570)

MODULE B:

Unit 02: Communication during end of life care
(Credit value: 2) (H/601/9573)

Unit 03: Assessment and care planning in end of life care
(Credit value: 3) (M/601/9575)

MODULE C:

Unit 04: Person-centred approaches to end of life care
(Credit value: 5) (A/601/9577)

Unit 05: Care during the final hours of life and bereavement care (Credit value: 3) (A/601/9580)

Each unit contains activities and assessments designed to cover the specific learning outcomes.

Progression opportunities

By undertaking this programme, candidates will be able to further their own continuous professional development, which may improve their career prospects, or progress on to further qualifications such as courses in health and social care or related subjects. Please go to www.hallmarkeducation.org.uk for details of relevant Hallmark programmes.

Information for learning centres:

Qualification reference number:

501/0117/1

Awarding organisation:

NCFE (see www.ncfe.org.uk)

Entry requirements

There are no specific entry requirements for this qualification. However, learners must be aged 16 or over in order to enrol on the course.

Course delivery and assessment

Hallmark's materials comprise activity workbooks, which have been produced to suit a wide range of delivery methods. Learners will be provided with all necessary workbooks to complete the programme and will be required to work through a series of tasks and activities designed to reinforce the learning process and test their knowledge. The learning materials include an assessment, which allows learners to complete a portfolio of evidence and demonstrates achievement of all learning outcomes associated with each unit.

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