

# Award/Certificate in Dementia Care

**Level 2 Award in Awareness of Dementia (05919)**

**Level 2 Certificate in Dementia Care (05920)**

**Level 3 Award in Awareness of Dementia (05921)**

**Level 3 Certificate in Dementia Care (05922)**

## ***Main features of the qualifications***

- *All the qualifications have been accredited as part of the Qualifications and Credit Framework*
- *All units have been assigned a level and a credit value*
- *For the Certificates in Dementia Care candidates will be able to choose from a range of optional units to combine units into a qualification that reflects their job role or interest*
- *There is an opportunity for both full award and unit certification*
- *There will be opportunity to transfer credit between these and other qualifications*

## **Introduction**

The Level 2 and 3 Awards in Awareness of Dementia assess candidates' knowledge and understanding of practices in the care of individuals with dementia. It deals with issues such as person-centred approaches, factors that can influence communication, the impact that diversity, equality and inclusion can have on the individual's experience of dementia and the administration of medication. The knowledge gained through the achievement of these qualifications can be used towards the achievement of the Certificates in Dementia Care as well as to the Diploma in Health and Social Care.

The Level 2 and 3 Certificates in Dementia Care assess knowledge, understanding and skills demonstrated in the workplace in areas of practice such as person centred working, communication and interaction, equality and diversity, individuals' rights and choices.

## **Target audience**

The Level 2 and 3 Awards are aimed at those already working in a care environment or preparing to work in a care environment, but who wish to gain knowledge and understanding of caring for individuals with dementia. The qualifications can be used as professional development to gain understanding of this specialist area of practice.

The Level 2 and 3 Certificates are aimed at those who are already working in care roles with individuals with dementia and provide an opportunity to have their knowledge and skills recognised through the achievement of nationally accredited qualifications.

## Qualification structures

### OCR Level 2 Award in Awareness of Dementia

In order to achieve this qualification, candidates must achieve a total of 8 credits from 4 mandatory units.

OCR Unit No	Sector Unit No	Unit title	QCA Accreditation number	Credit value	GLH
1	DEM 201	Dementia Awareness	J/601/2874	2	17
2	DEM 202	The person centred approach to the care and support of individuals with dementia	H/601/2879	2	17
3	DEM 205	Understand the factors that can influence communication and interaction with individuals who have dementia	T/601/9416	2	18
4	DEM 207	Understand equality, diversity and inclusion in dementia care	A/601/2886	2	20

### OCR Level 2 Certificate in Dementia Care

In order to achieve this qualification, candidates must achieve a total of 18 credits, 14 credits must be achieved from 5 mandatory units plus a further 4 credits from a range of optional units.

OCR Unit No	Sector Unit No	Unit title	QCA Accreditation number	Credit value	GLH
<b>Mandatory units</b>					
1	DEM 201	Dementia Awareness	J/601/2874	2	17
2	DEM 204	Understand and implement a person centred approach to the care and support of individuals with dementia	F/601/3683	3	21
3	DEM 209	Equality, diversity and inclusion in dementia care practice	Y/601/9277	3	24
4	DEM 210	Understand and enable interaction and communication with individuals with dementia	A/601/9434	3	19
5	DEM 211	Approaches to enable rights and choices for individuals with dementia whilst minimising risks	H/601/9282	3	25
<b>Optional units</b>					
6	ADV 301	Purpose and principles of independent advocacy	M/502/3146	4	25
7	ADV 305	Independent mental capacity advocacy	F/502/3295	12	35
8	CMH 301	Understand mental well-being and mental health promotion	F/602/0097	3	14
9	DEM 302	Understand and meet the nutritional requirements of individuals with dementia	T/601/9187	3	26
10	DEM 305	Understand the administration of medication to individuals with dementia using a person centred approach	K/601/9199	2	15
11	HSC 2022	Contribute to the care of a deceased person	R/601/8256	3	24
12	HSC 2023	Contribute to supporting group care activities	L/601/9471	3	23

13	HSC 2031	Contribute to support of positive risk taking for individuals	A/601/9546	3	27
14	HSC 3020	Facilitate person centred assessment, planning, implementation and review	H/601/8049	6	45
15	HSC 3047	Support use of medication in social care settings	F/601/4056	5	40
16	HSC 3048	Support individuals at the end of life	T/601/9495	7	53
17	HC2001	Provide support for therapy sessions	D/601/9023	2	14
18	LD 202	Support person-centred thinking and planning	L/601/6442	5	34
19	SSOP2.1	Introductory awareness of models of disability	Y/601/3446	2	15
20	SSOP2.4	Contribute to supporting individuals in the use of assistive technology	H/601/3451	3	19

## OCR Level 3 Award in Awareness of Dementia

In order to achieve this qualification candidates must achieve a total of 11 credits from 4 mandatory units.

OCR Unit No	Sector Unit No	Unit title	QCA Accreditation number	Credit value	GLH
1	DEM 301	Understand the process and experience of dementia	J/601/3538	3	22
2	DEM 305	Understand the administration of medication to individuals with dementia using a person centred approach	K/601/9199	2	15
3	DEM 308	Understand the role of communication and interactions with individuals who have dementia	L601/3539	3	26
4	DEM 310	Understand the diversity of individuals with dementia and the importance of inclusion	Y/601/3544	3	23

## OCR Level 3 Certificate in Dementia Care

In order to achieve this qualification candidates must achieve a total of 21 credits; 15 credits must be achieved from 4 mandatory units plus a further 6 credits from a range of optional units.

OCR Unit No	Sector Unit No	Unit title	QCA Accreditation number	Credit value	GLH
<b>Mandatory units</b>					
1	DEM 301	Understand the process and experience of dementia	J/601/3538	3	22
2	DEM 304	Enable rights and choices of individuals with dementia whilst minimising risks	A/601/9191	4	26
3	DEM 312	Understand and enable interaction and communication with individuals who have dementia	Y/601/4693	4	30
4	DEM 313	Equality, diversity and inclusion in dementia care practice	F/601/4686	4	31
<b>Optional units</b>					
5	ADV 301	Purpose and principles of independent advocacy	M/502/3146	4	25
6	ADV 305	Independent mental capacity advocacy	F/502/3295	12	35
7	CMH 301	Understand mental well-being and mental health promotion	F/602/0097	3	14

8	DEM 302	Understand and meet the nutritional requirements of individuals with dementia	T/601/9187	3	26
9	DEM 305	Understand the administration of medication to individuals with dementia using a person centred approach	K/601/9199	2	15
10	HSC 2022	Contribute to the care of a deceased person	R/601/8256	3	24
11	HSC 2031	Contribute to support of positive risk taking for individuals	A/601/9546	3	27
12	HSC 3002	Provide support to continue recommended therapies	A/601/9028	3	20
13	HSC 3008	Implement therapeutic group activities	D/601/9491	4	25
14	HSC 3020	Facilitate person centred assessment, planning, implementation and review	H/601/8049	6	45
15	HSC 3035	Support individuals who are bereaved	A/601/7909	4	30
16	HSC 3047	Support use of medication in social care settings	F/601/4056	5	40
17	HSC 3048	Support individuals at the end of life	T/601/9495	7	53
18	HSC3062	Interact with and support individuals using telecommunications	Y/601/8825	5	36
19	HSC 3066	Support positive risk taking for individuals	L/601/9549	4	32
20	LD 302	Support person-centred thinking and planning	A/601/7215	5	41
21	SSOP 3.1	Understand models of disability	F/601/3473	3	26
22	SSOP.34	Support individuals in the use of assistive technology	J/601/3541	4	32

## Progression opportunities

Candidates have the opportunity to progress within the suite of qualifications.

For example, a candidate achieving a Level 2 Award in Awareness of Dementia may:

- get recognition for competence in caring for individuals with dementia by progressing to the Level 2 Certificate in Dementia Care.
- get recognition for higher level achievement by progressing to the OCR Level 3 Award in Awareness of Dementia.

Candidates also have the opportunity to map the achievement of units from these qualifications to OCR's Diplomas in Health and Social Care.

## Form of assessment

### The Level 2 and 3 Awards in Awareness of Dementia

Candidates will be required to put together a portfolio of evidence that meet the learning outcomes and assessment criteria of each unit. The evidence can come from naturally occurring work-based activities or centre can devise tasks or projects which can generate appropriate evidence. The evidence will be assessed in the centre and externally moderated by an OCR Examiner-moderator.

### The Level 2 and 3 Certificates in Dementia Care

These qualifications provide an opportunity for candidates to demonstrate knowledge and skills related to this specialised area of practice.

The assessment of the units in these qualifications will follow the NVQ model of assessment and verification. It is anticipated that the evidence required to meet the assessment criteria will be naturally occurring as part of the candidate's day to day work activities.

## Certification

There will be opportunities for candidates to claim both full award and unit certification.

The full award certificate will show the qualification title and QCDA accreditation information.

The unit certificate will also show the credit value of the unit achieved.

## Qualification support

OCR's website, [www.ocr.org.uk](http://www.ocr.org.uk), contains an area dedicated to these qualifications. The Centre Handbook components, including guidance on the assessment and the units can be downloaded from this web page.

If you need clarification on any aspect of the assessment or administration of these qualifications, please contact OCR's Customer Contact Centre on 024 76 851509.

OCR runs a regular programme of training workshops for tutors and assessors. For more details, please contact OCR's Training and Customer Support Team on 024 76 496398.

## What to do next?

To seek approval to offer this qualification, please apply on-line following the step-by-step guide to applying for approval for vocational qualifications indicated on our 'Centre Approval' webpage.

You might be interested to know that OCR staff are available to help with any aspect of setting up a vocational assessment centre. Through an advisory telephone call or a centre visit, we can assist, not only with the completion of the form, but also provide advice on the following areas:

- identifying potential learners and marketing opportunities
- meeting OCR requirements
- identifying resourcing levels, both in terms of staff and equipment
- the documents you might need for the benefit of the learners and a smooth running centre operation

For further information, please get in touch with our **Customer Contact Centre** by phone: (024 7685 1509); email: [vocational.qualifications@ocr.org.uk](mailto:vocational.qualifications@ocr.org.uk); or in writing: OCR Customer Contact Centre, OCR, Coventry Office, Westwood Way, Coventry, CV4 8JQ.

A summary of how the approval process works is provided in our **Admin Guide for Vocational Qualifications** (publication ref. code: A850). Our **Fees Booklet** (publication ref. code: A250) lists the charges for centre evaluation, learner entries and certification. Both publications are available to download from our website [www.ocr.org.uk](http://www.ocr.org.uk)

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