



RESIDENTIAL CHILDCARE

Course Mode	Part-time
Location	Milnthorpe Road Campus (MRC)
Duration	26 Weeks
Level	3



Course Overview

Learners will acquire and use skills of communication, risk management, assessment and planning of care and promoting resilience as they complete the qualification through work-based learning opportunities.

Other topics covered include:

- Understanding the development of children and young people in residential childcare
- How to support positive outcomes for children and young people
- How to support children and young people who have experienced harm or abuse.

Upon achievement of this qualification, the learner will be equipped as an Residential Childcare Practitioner.

The qualification is aimed at learners who are employed in suitable roles within homes, schools or colleges. Learner knowledge and understanding that comes from working in these environments is a requirement for this qualification.

All topics will be internally assessed using a range of methods including direct observation within the workplace, written assignments and professional discussion.

This is a work-based qualification. Learners must be employed in a home, school or college setting at Level 3 to complete this qualification.

Entry Requirements

Learners must be at least 18 years old and employed in a suitable role within a home, school or college. Previous Level 3 study is a clear advantage but wealth of experience, knowledge and understanding working in homes, schools or colleges is a requirement for this CPD qualification. Entry is at the discretion of the college. Kendal College will ensure that this course is appropriate for the age and ability of the learner. This may involve an assessment to ensure learners can meet the criteria and comply with the relevant literacy, numeracy, and health and safety aspects of this course.

After your course

This qualification provides the suitable level of occupational competence to meet minimum regulatory and registration requirements for the sector.

Achievement of this pathway will enable learners to access higher level jobs within the sector, e.g. senior residential childcare worker, advanced practitioner in residential childcare, senior support worker in residential childcare.

There is also opportunity for learners to go on to further study at higher levels, particularly working towards:

- Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Residential Childcare
- Foundation Degree in Health & Social Care or Therapeutic Care

Fees

£2499.00

Course fees are per year for full-time & degree-level courses, and per course for part-time courses.

The current full-time & degree-level fee information is related to the 2020/21 academic year and is subject to change before the start of the course. Fees for 2021/22 will be updated in the Spring Term 2021. There may also be additional costs associated with the course.

You may qualify for financial support to cover the cost of a government-funded qualification up to and including Level 2, if you:

- Receive an eligible means-tested benefit e.g. JSA, ESA or Universal Credit
- Have an annual salary of less than £17,004
- Are aged 16-18 on 31/08/20 and are not studying at another school/college
- Are aged 19-23 on 31/08/20 and do not already have a Level 1 or 2 qualification
- Have a household income under £25,000 and are in financial hardship

Student Finance

Whether you qualify for student finance depends on specific criteria. The main student finance package for full-time students includes a tuition fee loan and maintenance loan for living costs. Part-time students can access a tuition fee loan to pay for your course.

Generally, you will only get student finance if you're doing your first degree-level qualification. This is true even if your previous course was self-funded.

For further information please see www.gov.uk/student-finance.

Access to Learning Fund

The Access to Learning Fund is a non-repayable discretionary fund that gives students facing hardship extra financial support to access and remain in higher education. This can be accessed via the college. Please speak to [Student Services](#) for more information.