

Purpose Statement

Open Awards Level 2 Award in Principles of Safeguarding and Child Protection (RQF)

The primary purpose of this qualification is to build knowledge of safeguarding and child protection principles and how to implement these in the workplace. It is designed to support individuals within their occupational roles in health, social care, education or related sectors.

Who is it for?

- Individuals in an occupational role who have responsibility for alerting safeguarding leads and/or other supervisor/management colleagues to potential safeguarding or child protection concerns
- Individuals looking to progress into a relevant occupational role who are looking to build knowledge to support their employment opportunities

What does this qualification cover?

This qualification covers theory around safeguarding and child protection, including knowledge of relevant alerter procedures.

To achieve this qualification, you will need to complete 3 credits (1 unit) that cover the following learning outcomes:

- Know legislation, statutory guidance and national policies relevant to safeguarding and child protection
- Understand roles and responsibilities for safeguarding individuals
- Know how to recognise the signs of harm and abuse
- Know how to respond to a disclosure or suspected abuse

You will need to commit to around 30 hours of learning and assessment.





What are the entry requirements?

There are no age restrictions for working towards this qualification and no specific prior achievements required. However, evidence of achievement at level 1 may be an advantage. There are no restrictions on learner entry and it may be studied alongside other vocational qualifications.

What are the assessment methods?

The assessment method for this qualification is a multiple choice externally-set assessment. This is administered through the XAMS assessment platform and is available on-demand.

Each question is worth 1 mark. Learners must score a minimum of 18 out of 25 marks in order to pass the assessment.

Assessment practices must reflect the Equality and Diversity Policy of Open Awards.

What are the progression opportunities?

Following achievement of this qualification, you may choose to progress to further learning at a higher level. For example, a Level 3 qualification in safeguarding adults at risk or child protection. You may also choose to complete additional CPD courses to support an enhanced role within safeguarding procedures including referrer training.

