



CACHE Level 3 Award in Transition to Playwork (from Early Years) (QCF)

This qualification is based on the National Occupational Standards for Playwork and has been developed for Early Years practitioners who would like to broaden their knowledge and work in playwork settings*. The units cover the theories and principles of play and playwork and how to support the needs and rights of children to create diverse, inclusive play environments. They also cover how to support children and young people to manage risk, establishing and maintaining links with other organisations and individuals, and organisational frameworks.

* It does not confirm occupational competence as a playworker.

Requirements

Learners will need to hold a Level 3 Early Years qualification that covers the National Occupational Standards for Children's Care Learning and Development. They must also be at least 18 years of age.

Work in a real work environment

Learners do not need to be working or attend work placements to complete this qualification.

Qualification Structure

To achieve the qualification learners will need to complete both the units below.

- Understand aspects of Playwork practice
- Understand the theories underpinning Playwork practice

Assessment

The qualification will be a pass or refer and is internally assessed. Methods of assessment could include:

- Inference of knowledge from direct observation of practice
- Witness evidence when directed by the sector skills assessment strategy
- Reflection on own practice in real work situations
- Learner's own plans and written records
- Task set by CACHE for (knowledge only)
- Oral questioning (knowledge only)
- Written and pictorial information
- Scenario or case study