



Level 4

Children's Care, Learning and Development Professional Practice

This is an advanced level qualification aimed at professional Child Care workers and is designed for individuals employed within the Early Years and Childcare sector. Learners undertaking this course will need to be in a senior position or if a child minder, the ability to demonstrate support of others with less experience. You will also need to hold a Level 3 CCPLD qualification and be over 19.

The course is knowledge based for experienced staff who wish to develop their leadership potential in order to progress to a leadership and management role within the childcare sector. As it's knowledge based, learners can complete the L4 qualification before they have attained a Management role.

Benefits for the learner

- Experienced trainer coaches from a vast range of childcare industries
- All CCPLD Trainer Coaches have undergone an extensive professional development programme to deliver the new industry training standards
- Bespoke Learner Moodle to support you throughout your qualification as well as a blended learning approach including face to face meetings, virtual smart rooms and observations
- Opportunities to progress into senior roles within the sector
- Flexible pathways to champion specialist areas such as working with families and additional learning needs

Benefits for the employer

- Learners in a senior role will be equipped with an advanced knowledge in a specialist area within the Childcare sector
- Range of units to tailor the qualification to your business needs
- Quality training with an Estyn grading of good/excellent



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Essential Skills

Welsh Government is committed to raising the levels of Essential Skills across Wales. Communication, Digital Literacy and Application of Number qualifications are an integral element of the funded apprenticeship frameworks.

These are usually delivered through workshops at one of our centres and will be planned well in advance. If you have completed Essential Skills previously or are able to provide suitable evidence, such as GCSE certificates or similar, you may be exempt from completing this element of the qualification.

Essential Skills	
Learners will need to complete:	
Application of Number	Level 2
Communication	Level 2

Qualification Overview

To achieve the Level 4 Professional Practice in Children's Care, Play, Learning and Development qualification, learners must achieve a minimum of **60 credits in total**.

To achieve the qualification learners must take one of the following three pathways:

- Working with families and carers to develop parenting skills
- Working with children with Speech, Language and Communication Needs (SLCN)
- Recognising and supporting children with Additional Learning Needs (ALN)

To achieve the Level 4 Professional Practice in Children's Care, Play, Learning and Development (Working with families and carers to develop parenting skills) learners must achieve a minimum of 64 credits from the Mandatory group

Please note that:

- Monthly tutor visits are required and extra visits or support can be provided if needed
- Tutor sessions may last up to two hours, and can be face to face at your work setting or remote visits using online platforms
- The qualification will take 12 months to complete

Mandatory Units

Unit Title	Credit Value	Guided Hours
Leading child-centred practice	22	115
Study skills	8	30

Pathways

Unit Title	Credit Value	Guided Hours
Recognising and Supporting Children with Additional Learning Needs (ALN)	30	145
Working with Children with Speech, Language and Communication Needs (SLCN)	34	170
Working with Families Preparing for Management	34	150

Should you choose the 'Preparing for Management' pathway and then wish to progress on to the Level 5 qualification then you would have already completed elements of the Level 5 NVQ.

However, if you choose a different pathway and then decide to progress in to a senior management role, the 'Preparing for Management' can be completed at the start of the Level 5 qualification.

Progression

On completion, you could progress to:

- Learners can progress on to level 4/5 Leadership & Management qualification.