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QUALIFICATION GUIDE

Qualifications in Assisted Living





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OCNLR Level 1 Award in Assisted Living Awareness Qualification No: 603/1360/2

OCNLR Level 2 Award in Assisted Living Awareness Qualification No: 603/1361/4

OCNLR Level 3 Award in Assisted Living Awareness Qualification No: 603/1362/6

OCNLR Level 3 Certificate in Assisted Living Qualification No: 603/1397/3

OCNLR Level 4 Certificate in Assisted Living Qualification No: 603/2013/8

OCNLR Level 4 Award in Developing Awareness in Assisted Living Technology Qualification No: 603/2006/0

OCNLR Level 4 Award in Developing Innovation in Health and Social Care Practice
Qualification No: 603/2007/2

OCNLR Level 4 Award in Managing Change in Health and Social Care Practice
Qualification No: 603/2008/4

OCNLR Level 4 Award in Reablement in Health and Social Care Qualification No: 603/2011/4

OCNLR Level 4 Award in Understanding the Health and Social Care Needs of an Ageing Population Qualification No: 603/2012/6 OCN London aims to support learning and widening opportunities by recognising achievement through credit-based courses and qualifications, promoting high standards of excellence and inclusiveness.

We are proud of our long-term role and unique history in providing, innovative learning solutions for a wide range of learners and particularly those who have not previously benefitted from education.

At the heart of what OCN London offers is:

- A commitment to inclusive credit-based learning;
- The creative use of credit with responsive, demand-led qualification development;
- High quality service and support;
- Respect for and encouragement of diversity in learners and learning approaches, partners and settings;
- The development of people, capacity and resources that will ensure effective business partnerships.

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General Information

This qualification guide contains details of everything you need to know about the OCNLR Suite of Qualifications in Assisted Living. It makes reference to the curriculum areas covered, identifies the learners for whom the qualifications have been developed and specifies the rules of combination for achievement of the qualifications. The guide also covers any important aspects of assessment and moderation that are particular to the The guide should be used by all of those involved in the delivery and qualifications. assessment of the qualifications.

The Curriculum and Relationship Development Manager (CRDM) for your Centre will provide support and advice on how to seek approval to offer these qualifications. Please contact the main switchboard for the name of your CRDM if you do not already know it. If you are not yet an OCN London Approved Centre but wish to use these qualifications, then please contact the administrative team at OCN London for details of the Centre Approval application process.

Qualification Overview

The OCNLR Suite of Qualifications in Assisted Living at Levels 1, 2, 3 and 4 have been developed to provide learners training for employment, or for those already employed in the health and social care sector, with the opportunity to develop skills and knowledge which support their 'Assisted Living' related work. They have also been developed as part of the learner's personal preparation for further learning in education settings and for employment.

The OCNLR Qualifications in Assisted Living are regulated by Ofqual, the qualifications regulator for England, and are registered on the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF).

These qualifications were developed in partnership with Barnet and Southgate College Centre of Excellence for Technology Enhanced Care (CETEC).

Qualification details

The OCNLR Awards in Assisted Living are available at Levels 1, 2, 3 and the OCNLR Certificate in Assisted Living is available at Level 3 and 4. There are five single-unit Awards at Level 4 which comprise each of the units that make up the Level 4 Certificate.

Qualification	Qualification number	Credit value	Operational start date	Review date	TQT	GLH
OCNLR Level 1 Award in Assisted Living Awareness	603/1360/2	3	1 May 2017	30 April 2022	30	27
OCNLR Level 2 Award in Assisted Living Awareness	603/1361/4	3	1 May 2017	30 April 2022	30	25
OCNLR Level 3 Certificate in Assisted Living	603/1397/3	18	1 May 2017	30 April 2022	180	150
OCNLR Level 3 Award in Assisted Living Awareness	603/1362/6	3	May 2017	30 April 2022	30	27
OCNLR Level 4 Certificate in Assisted Living	603/2013/8	24	1 July 2017	30 April 2022	240	156
OCNLR Level 4 Award in Developing Awareness in Assisted Living Technology	603/2006/0	6	1 July 2017	30 April 2022	60	39
OCNLR Level 4 Award in Developing Innovation in Health and Social Care Practice	603/2007/2	6	1 July 2017	30 April 2022	60	39
OCNLR Level 4 Award in Managing Change in Health and Social Care Practice	603/2008/4	6	1 July 2017	30 April 2022	60	39
OCNLR Level 4 Award in Reablement in Health and Social Care	603/2011/4	6	1 July 2017	30 April 2022	60	39
OCNLR Level 4 Award in Understanding the Health and Social Care Needs of an Ageing Population	603/2012/6	6	1 July 2017	30 April 2022	60	39

Assessment requirements for all the above qualifications: internally assessed, internally and externally moderated.

Purpose of the qualifications

These qualifications aim to support learning and employment progression for learners in further and higher education, and to develop additional skills for staff already in employment in the health and social care sector.

Who the qualifications are for

The OCNLR Qualifications in Assisted Living are suitable for learners who:

- Want to explore and develop their knowledge and skills in assisted living and how its adoption impacts on the ways in which they work;
- Want to progress within education at various levels;
- Are looking to add to their employment skills and knowledge in the health and social care sector.

Entry guidance

The qualifications are suitable for learners age 16+.

Progression and related qualifications

Learners who achieve the OCNLR Level 3 and 4 Awards in Assisted Living can have their unit achievement credited towards the achievement of the OCNLR Level 3 and 4 Certificates in Assisted Living.

These qualifications provide a sound basis for learners to progress their learning in related subject areas, to directly enter employment in related vocational areas or add to their existing employment skills and knowledge in the health and social care sector.

Structure of the Qualification

Rules of combination for achieving the qualifications

To achieve the OCNLR Level 1 Award in Assisted Living Awareness learners must achieve 3 credits from the mandatory unit.

To achieve the OCNLR Level 2 Award in Assisted Living Awareness learners must achieve 3 credits from the mandatory unit.

To achieve the OCNLR Level 3 Certificate in Assisted Living learners must achieve 18 credits from the four mandatory units.

To achieve the OCNLR Level 3 Award in Assisted Living Awareness learners must achieve 3 credits from the mandatory unit.

To achieve the OCNLR Level 4 Certificate in Assisted Living learners must achieve 12 credits from the mandatory units and 12 credits from the optional units.

To achieve the OCNLR Level 4 Award in Developing Awareness in Assisted Living **Technology** learners must achieve 6 credits from the mandatory unit.

To achieve the OCNLR Level 4 Award in Developing Innovation in Health and Social Care **Practice** learners must achieve 6 credits from the mandatory unit.

To achieve the OCNLR Level 4 Award in Managing Change in Health and Social Care Practice learners must achieve 6 credits from the mandatory unit.

To achieve the OCNLR Level 4 Award in Reablement in Health and Social Care learners must achieve 6 credits from the mandatory unit.

To achieve the OCNLR Level 4 Award in Understanding the Health and Social Care Needs of an Ageing Population learners must achieve 6 credits from the mandatory unit.

Qualification units

OCNLR Level 1 Award in Assisted Living Awareness

Ofqual 1		OCNLR Unit	Unit Title	Level	Credit	GLH
Referei Numb		Code			Value	
Mandator						
J/615/6	540	PT1/1/LQ/032	Developing Awareness of Assisted Living Technology	1	3	27

OCNLR Level 2 Award in Assisted Living Awareness

Ofqual Unit Reference Number	OCNLR Unit Code	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
Mandatory					
L/615/6541	PT1/2/LQ/046	Developing Awareness of Assisted Living Technology	2	3	25

OCNLR Level 3 Certificate in Assisted Living

Ofqual Unit Reference Number	OCNLR Unit Code	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
Mandatory					
R/615/6542	PT1/3/LQ/032	Developing Awareness of Assisted Living Technology	3	3	27
R/615/6721	PT1/3/LQ/033	Developing Innovation in Health and Social Care Practice	3	5	41
F/615/6729	PT1/3/LQ/034	Managing Change in Health and Social Care Practice	3	5	41`
D/615/6737	PT1/3/LQ/035	Reablement in Health and Social Care	3	5	41

OCNLR Level 3 Award in Assisted Living Awareness

Ofqual Unit Reference Number	OCNLR Unit Code	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
Mandatory					
R/615/6542	PT1/3/LQ/032	Developing Awareness of Assisted Living Technology	3	3	27

OCNLR Level 4 Certificate in Assisted Living

Ofqual Unit Reference Number	OCNLR Unit Code	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
Mandatory					
H/615/8523	PE1/4/LQ/001	Developing Awareness of Assisted Living Technology	4	6	39
K/615/8524	PE1/4/LQ/002	Developing Innovation in Health and Social Care Practice	4	6	39
Optional					
T/615/8526	PE1/4/LQ/003	Managing Change in Health and Social Care Practice	4	6	39
F/615/8528	PE1/4/LQ/004	Reablement in Health and Social Care	4	6	39
J/615/8529	PE1/4/LQ/005	Understanding the Health and Social Care Needs of an Ageing Population	4	6	39

OCNLR Level 4 Award in Developing Awareness of Assisted Living Technology

Ofqual Unit Reference Number	OCNLR Unit Code	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
Mandatory					
H/615/8523	PE1/4/LQ/001	Developing Awareness of Assisted Living Technology	4	6	39

OCNLR Level 4 Award in Developing Innovation in Health and Social Care Practice

Ofqual Unit Reference Number	OCNLR Unit Code	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
Mandatory					
K/615/8524	PE1/4/LQ/002	Developing Innovation in Health and Social Care Practice	4	6	39

OCNLR Level 4 Award in Managing Change in Health and Social Care Practice

Ofqual Unit Reference Number	OCNLR Unit Code	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
Mandatory					
T/615/8526	PE1/4/LQ/003	Managing Change in Health and Social Care Practice	4	6	39

OCNLR Level 4 Award in Reablement in Health and Social Care

Ofqual Unit Reference Number	OCNLR Unit Code	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
Mandatory					
F/615/8528	PE1/4/LQ/004	Reablement in Health and Social Care	4	6	39

OCNLR Level 4 Award in Understanding the Health and Social Care Needs of an Ageing **Population**

Ofqual Unit Reference Number	OCNLR Unit Code	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
Mandatory					
J/615/8529	PE1/4/LQ/005	Understanding the Health and Social Care Needs of an Ageing Population	4	6	39

Assessment and Moderation

Assessment process

The assessment process for these qualifications is as follows:

- The learners are assessed through activities that are internally set by tutor assessors;
- The activities must be designed to enable learners to meet the assessment criteria of
- Learners' portfolios of assessed evidence must be internally moderated at the Centre;
- The portfolios of assessed evidence will be externally moderated by an OCN London External Moderator.

There is no additional external assessment for this qualification.

Devising assessments

Each unit has a supplementary page with information on the types of assessment activities that can (indicated as 'Optional' or 'O') and/or must (indicated as 'Prescribed' or 'P') be used to assess learners against the unit. Tutor assessors must always refer to this page before devising assessment tasks.

OCN London assessment guidance relevant to the units in this qualification is in the 'OCNLR Assessment Guidance and Ofqual Level Descriptors' section of this qualification guide. The guidance includes a general description of the activity and the type of evidence that is appropriate. The activity or activities set must enable the learners to meet the standards detailed in the assessment criteria. Please contact OCN London for further guidance on devising appropriate assessments.

Centre devised assessments should be scrutinised by the Internal Moderator before use to ensure that they are fit for purpose. Centre devised assessments will be scrutinised by the External Moderator to ensure reliability and validity of assessment.

Marking assessment activities

Each activity must be marked against the identified assessment criteria in the unit and judged to be either achieved or not achieved.

Assessors need to ensure that the work in a learner's portfolio is:

- Authentic it is the result of the learner's own performance or activity;
- Sufficient enabling the assessor to make a consistent and reliable judgement;
- Adequate appropriate to the level.

Where a series of activities are set, learners must demonstrate the achievement of the required standard identified in the assessment criteria in all activities. All of the assessment criteria in a unit must be met before the unit is deemed achieved.

The unit achievement is not graded. Units are either achieved or not achieved.

Standardisation

Standardisation is a process that promotes consistency in the understanding and application of standards in relation to assessment. It:

- Compares assessment judgements from different assessors
- Promotes consistent judgements by different assessors;
- Identifies good practice in assessment;
- Promotes the sharing of good practice in assessment between centre staff.

Standardisation events should be held periodically within centres to ensure consistent and effective assessment practice. Standardisation events may also be held by OCN London and it is a requirement that each Centre offering units from the qualification must contribute assessment materials and learners' evidence for standardisation, if requested.

OCN London will notify Centres of the required sample for standardisation purposes and assessment materials, learners' evidence and tutor feedback may be collected by External Moderators.

Learners with particular requirements

If learners have particular requirements the Centre should refer to the 'Access to Fair Assessment Policy and Procedure' which can be found on our website at: Access to Fair Assessment Policy and Procedure and gives clear guidance on the reasonable adjustments and arrangements that can be made to take account of disability or learning difficulty, without compromising the achievement of the assessment criteria.

Requirements for assessors

Assessors of the qualification are expected to be:

Sufficiently competent

In addition to being qualified to make assessment decisions, each assessor must be capable of carrying out the full requirements within the competency of the units they are assessing. This competence should be maintained annually through clearly demonstrable continuing learning and professional development.

Expert witnesses can be used where they have suitable expertise for specialist areas. The use of expert witnesses should be determined and agreed by the assessor.

Sufficiently knowledgeable

Each assessor should possess relevant knowledge and understanding of the subject and so be able to make robust and reliable assessment decisions in relation to the subject.

OCNLR Assessment Guidance and Ofqual Level Descriptors

For OCN London's Assessment Guidance and Ofqual's Level Descriptors relevant to these qualifications, please click on the relevant link(s) below.

Level 1 Assessment Guidance and Ofqual's Level Descriptors

Level 2 Assessment Guidance and Ofqual's Level Descriptors

Level 3 Assessment Guidance and Ofqual's Level Descriptors

Level 4 Assessment Guidance and Ofqual's Level Descriptors

About OCN London

OCN London is a well-established national awarding organisation with over 25 years' experience in accrediting learning. We are a not-for-profit organisation with charitable status, dedicated to widening participation in learning and training, social inclusion and employability. We are also a market leader in the recognition of achievement through credit-based units and qualifications. Based in London we work with Centres both across the UK and abroad, offering national qualifications and accredited programmes.

Our mission is to provide opportunities for people from across society to benefit from learning, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Why work with us?

- We are agile and responsive. This means you will get a personal service with direct access to a named contact and a quick turnaround.
- We pride ourselves on our close relationships with Centres. The people we work with see us as a trusted partner, not just a supplier.
- We want to help you get the best from your learners and employees.
- We have a reputation for high quality. The OCN London brand carries national recognition and kudos.
- We are flexible and recognise the importance of accommodating the needs of different learners and different learning styles.
- We offer exceptional value for money. Just ask the people we work with.
- We are committed to the belief that learning can change lives.

OCN London is regulated by Ofqual and the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education.

If you would like to deliver any of these qualifications please contact our Curriculum Development Team on 020 7689 5867.

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