

NRC Ref: FOIRH150719

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> August 2019

Name: Rosey Hall

Dear Rosey

### **Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information**

Thank you for your request for additional information dated 27<sup>th</sup> July 2019, in relation to FOI request FOI/RH150719:-

*You have stated that the BTEC Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care is 15 hrs per week. Is this course a combined 15 hrs per week in the classroom and then extra study hrs outside the classroom?*

*If so, is there a clear defined amount of study hours that the course expects to be covered outside the classroom by every student each week?*

*Please include breakdown of study for each subject and weekly total of hours (if any) that must be covered outside the classroom in order to complete this course.*

*Please include documentation or information on this that is readily available in any published course information.*

### **Our Obligation**

The College is treating your request as having been made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the “Act”). When dealing with requests for information, the College’s obligations include:

1. Confirming or denying whether it holds information of the description specified in the request; and
2. Communicating the information requested to the applicant. You should note that this is effectively a decision that the information can be released into the public domain and not simply to the specific applicant.

Under the Act, the College is required to release any information that it holds to you unless an exemption applies.

### **Response to your request**

- 1. You have stated that the BTEC Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care is 15 hrs per week. Is this course a combined 15 hrs per week in the classroom and then extra study hrs outside the classroom?**

The full time BTEC extended diploma in Health and Social care is delivered in 15 hours per week for 33 weeks per academic year for both first and second year classes, this is only the hours based in the classroom and does not include personal study hours outside of the classroom.

- 2. If so, is there a clear defined amount of study hours that the course expects to be covered outside the classroom by every student each week?**

There are no defined hours of study that students are required to complete, this is student specific based on their circumstances and ability.

- 3. Please include breakdown of study for each subject and weekly total of hours (if any) that must be covered outside the classroom in order to complete this course.**

This information is not held by the College.

- 4. Please include documentation or information on this that is readily available in any published course information.**

All course specific information is included on the College's website via this link;

<https://www.nrc.ac.uk/course/level-3-btec-extended-diploma-in-health-and-social-care/?keywords=extended%20diploma%20health%20and%20social%20care>

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you may ask the College for an internal review of the decision within 20 working days. Requests for an internal review should be submitted via [FOI@nrc.ac.uk](mailto:FOI@nrc.ac.uk). If, following the internal review, you are still not happy with the outcome, you have the right of appeal to the Information Commissioner:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow, Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or 01625 545 745 if you prefer to use a national rate number.

<https://ico.org.uk/>

If you have any further queries, please contact me at the above email address and quote your reference number FOI/RH150719.

Yours sincerely

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