



The European Care Certificate

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The ECC is

- A certificate that proves an individual's minimum level of knowledge to be safe to practice
- Awarded after passing a short, yet searching, multiple answer exam, which must be taken under exam conditions
- Evidence that an individual has understood the **BESCLO** (Basic European Social Care Learning Outcomes) to an agreed minimum standard

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The ECC is:

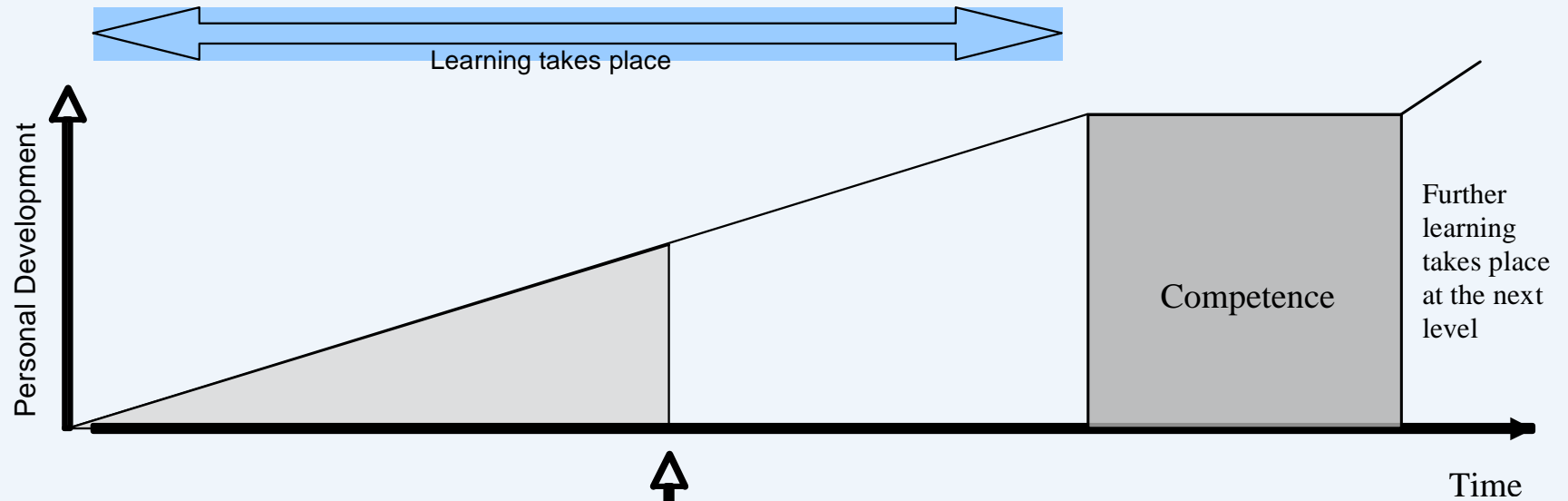
- Open to anyone over 16 years old who is able to understand and answer the questions
- Not academic and has no study entry requirements. It has been designed to be easily accessible and inexpensive
- Open (direct) access to the exam is possible, but experience shows that guided learning increases the pass rate significantly

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- The assessment tests *knowledge*, not competence
- The knowledge tested is the *minimum* knowledge required to work in social care (this does not mean it is simple!)
- The questions are searching and require the student to have a clear understanding of *all* the topics being tested.

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ECC exam tests minimum
 knowledge required working in
 social care

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Stages of personal development for a support worker



What is 'ECC Compliant' training?

- An 'ECC Compliant' training programme has been independently checked and confirmed as covering the **BESCLO (Basic European Social Care Learning Outcomes)**
- Training materials can be promoted as 'ECC Compliant' when their covering of the BESCLO has been checked and agreed by an ECC lead partner.

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How could the ECC work in the Italy?

- There is an **ECC Board** who manages the implementation and development of the award across Europe.
- There will be a **lead partner** in Italy who promotes the award in the social care sector and over-sees the quality assurance of training programme accreditation and the exam.
- There will be many **delivery partners** in each country / area who deliver the training and invigilate the exams.

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The BESCLO (Basic European Social Care Learning Outcomes)

1. The Values of Social Care
2. Promote Life Quality for the Individuals you Support
3. Working with Risk
4. Understand your Role as a Care Worker
5. Safety at Work
6. Communicating Positively
7. Recognise and Respond to Abuse and Neglect
8. Develop as a Worker

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BESCLO 5: Safety at Work

You keep yourself, the individual you support safe and secure by:

Please circle answer

If you make a mistake with your answer, circle this column

a) Following the service policy and procedures on security and never questioning them

TRUE	FALSE	
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b) Locking away every item that may cause any harm

TRUE	FALSE	
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c) Following your own instincts in favour of what is stated in the service procedures

TRUE	FALSE	
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d) Prioritising your own safety and security when making any decisions

TRUE	FALSE	
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BESCLO 6: Communicating Positively

Which of the following statements about communication is/are correct?
Please print your answer in the column on the right. If you make a mistake with your answer, please write "FALSE" in the column on the right.

- a) The longer and more detailed the records you make the better TRUE FALSE
- b) Communication should not be encouraged between individuals who are unable to talk TRUE FALSE
- c) Everybody likes to be touched if they are feeling frightened TRUE FALSE
- d) Not speaking is always a good way to let someone know you do not want to be interrupted TRUE FALSE

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BESCLO 7: Recognise and Respond to Abuse and Neglect

Which of the following is/are true, if done correctly they support:

Please circle your answer

If you make a mistake with your answer, circle this colour

a) Handling an individual roughly while helping them dress is an example of physical abuse. TRUE FALSE

b) Making individual carry out a sexual act is an example of sexual abuse. TRUE FALSE

c) Guiding an individual's arm to help them eat their meal is an example of institutional abuse. TRUE FALSE

d) An individual who needs help with their money are vulnerable to financial abuse. TRUE FALSE

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ECC and the future

- “Creating a Common Foundation in Care” is a new European funded project which started in October 2009
- ECC now being promoted in 12 countries in Europe
- Gaining recognition by placing on the NQF in each country and EQF in Europe

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Benefits of the ECC

- **For training providers:** Adds significant value to training and is proof of training success
- **For service providers:** Provides independent, recognised proof that workers have the essential knowledge to work safely
- **For workers:** Provides a certificate that is recognised across much of Europe, so making it easier for workers to find work.

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