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**NATIONAL CERTIFICATE**

**LEVEL 4**

**IN**

**HEALTH CARE ASSISTING**

## **National Certificate Level 4 in Health Care Assisting**

1. Level: 4
2. Credits: 179
3. Review Date: September 2028
4. Access to qualification

### **4.1 Entry Information**

School Certificate or GCE Ordinary level with Passes obtained on certificate in

Either:

five subjects including English Language with at least Grade C in any two subjects

or

six subjects including English Language with at least Grade C in any one subject

or

an equivalent qualification

### **4.2 Recognition of Prior Learning [RPL]**

The qualification will not be accessible through Recognition of Prior Learning.

### **4.3 Award of Qualification Requirements**

<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>Unit Standard Title</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>BASIC NURSING CARE</b>			
1	Demonstrate knowledge of basic nursing care	4	20
2	Develop skills in basic nursing care	4	15
3	Promote hygienic care patients within hospitals and transport of patients in basic nursing care	4	5
<b>ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY</b>			
4	Demonstrate knowledge of anatomy	4	6
5	Demonstrate knowledge of physiology in the body system	4	6
6	Demonstrate knowledge of diseases related to anatomy and physiology	4	6
<b>MICROBIOLOGY INFECTION CONTROL (HYGIENE)</b>			
7	Demonstrate knowledge of basics of microbiology	4	9
8	Apply knowledge of infection and control to determine the signs and symptoms of infection	4	9
<b>FIRST AID</b>			

9	Apply knowledge of first aid and demonstrate its techniques	4	5
10	Use knowledge of first aid techniques and apply in a wide variety of settings	4	10
<b>NUTRITION</b>			
11	Demonstrate knowledge of nutritional status and requirements with regards to patients	4	5
12	Apply knowledge of nutritional status and requirements	4	5
<b>ETHICAL AND LEGAL ASPECTS OF CARE</b>			
13	Apply knowledge related to professionalism, ethics and legal issues	4	6
<b>INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION AND COMPASSIONATE CARE</b>			
14	Implement knowledge in communication and counselling	4	4
15	Demonstrate basics in counselling skills	4	4
<b>PAEDIATRIC CARE</b>			
16	Apply knowledge and demonstrate basics of application of pediatric care	4	6
<b>GYNAECOLOGIC AND OBSTETRICS CARE</b>			
17	Apply knowledge and demonstrate basics of gynaecologic and obstetrics care	4	6
<b>GERIATRIC CARE</b>			
18	Apply knowledge and demonstrate basics of geriatric care	4	6
<b>PALLIATIVE CARE</b>			
19	Apply knowledge and demonstrate basics of palliative care	4	6
<b>AYURVEDIC MEDICINE</b>			
20	Apply knowledge and demonstrate basics in ayurvedic medicine	4	6
<b>INTENSIVE CARE UNIT</b>			
21	Apply knowledge and demonstrate basics in intensive care unit	4	6
<b>HEALTH PROMOTION AND PREVENTION</b>			
22	Apply basic principles and strategies of health policies and priorities in health promotion and prevention	4	8
23	Demonstrate knowledge of public health administration	4	2
<b>PSYCHOLOGY AND MENTAL HEALTH</b>			
24	Apply knowledge of psychology and mental health with principles in psychology	4	12
<b>Total Credits</b>			<b>179</b>

**Purpose:**

The qualification is meant for prospective health care assistants of the Ministry of Health and Wellness (MOHW) to respond to the need for continuous enhancement of the quality of care. The learners are expected to acquire and develop knowledge, skills and attitude to assist in providing care to patients in different contexts.

**Qualification Pathway:**

Upon successful completion of the National Certificate Level 4 in Health Care Assisting, the learner may embark on higher level qualifications in related fields.