



National Qualifications 2014 Internal Assessment Report Care

The purpose of this report is to provide feedback to centres on verification in National Qualifications in this subject.

National Qualifications (NQ) Units

Titles/levels of NQ Units verified:

F17W 11: Values and Principles in Care

General comments

Evidence provided suggests that centres have a clear understanding of what is required for the national standards. The marking of specific questions that address these was appropriately commented on for most candidates.

Unit specifications, instruments of assessment and exemplification materials

Centres used the documentation to good effect and there was evidence in the marking of the candidate scripts that centres are aware of what candidates need to address within specific question areas.

Evidence Requirements

Centres showed some understanding of the Evidence Requirements for the Unit. However, there was some evidence of lenient marking in relation to the Evidence Requirements. This is mostly in relation to the lack of application of practice evidence and material from the case study. The case study is provided for candidates to make use of in their answers where application is required. In the majority of cases this was poorly achieved.

Administration of assessments

Centres made good use of the NABs for this Unit and followed the requirements in relation to time allocation and the use of different NABs for re-assessment. Internal verification was effective in the assessment process and in supporting assessors. However, more consistency in the use of internal verification should be encouraged — especially where re-assessment has taken place.

Specific areas for improvement

Formal Care Settings — In a number of cases, candidates answered this question without identifying or naming any formal care settings. To achieve a good mark, the candidate needs to show knowledge of specific formal care settings.

Informal Care Provision — Candidates are asked to *describe* informal care provision. This question was poorly addressed by a number of candidates who only *identified* informal care provision.

Purpose of Care Planning — The majority of candidates used general language in their responses and as such it is difficult to assess if they have credible

knowledge of the key aspects of the purpose of care planning. Candidates who use appropriate and specific language should receive high scores.

Stages of Care Planning — This question had similar issues to those mentioned above. Answers to this question also made very poor use of the case study material. Candidates should be using specific information contained in the case study to respond to the application of knowledge to practice requirement.

Values for Care Planning — On the whole, candidates showed good knowledge of values for care planning. Again, there was poor application of this knowledge to practice by a number of candidates who didn't address specific examples of care from the case study.