

## FIELD                    COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES SECTOR

### Review of Health, Disability and Aged Support, Community Support Services and Social Services qualifications

**National Certificate in Social Services (Level 4) [Ref: 0250]**

**National Certificate in Diversional Therapy (Level 4) [Ref: 0727]**

**National Certificate in Social Service Work with Abuse Neglect and Violence (Level 4) [Ref: 0845]**

**National Certificate in Tamariki Ora – Well Child Services (Level 4) with strands in Mainstream, Māori, and Pacific [Ref: 1089]**

**National Certificate in Employment Support (Level 4) [Ref: 1173]**

**National Certificate in Mental Health and Addiction (Level 4) with optional strands in Addiction, Family/Whānau, and Kaupapa Māori [Ref: 1678]**

**National Certificate in Community Support Services (Disability Information Provision) (Level 4) [Ref: 1406]**

**National Certificate in Brain Injury Support (Level 4) [Ref: 1600]**

Community Support Services ITO Limited (Careerforce) has completed the review of the qualifications listed above.

#### **Replacement and new qualifications**

New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing (Peer Support) (Level 4) [Ref: 2989]

New Zealand Certificate Health and Wellbeing (Primary Care Practice Assistance) (Level 4) [Ref: 2990]

New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing (Social and Community Services) (Level 4) with strands in Community Facilitation, Community Health Work, Mental Health and Addiction Support, and Social Services [Ref: 2992]

New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing (Rehabilitation Support) (Level 4) with strands in Brain Injury, Spinal Cord Impairment, and Chronic Illness [Ref: 2991]

#### **Date new qualifications published**

**November 2015**

The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2020.

#### **Summary of the review and consultation process**

These qualifications resulted from a review of the health, disability and social services sectors' education and employment pathways as part of the Targeted Review of Qualifications (TRoQ).

The review process included an analysis of the sectors' learning needs and extensive consultation with stakeholders working in and with the sector to provide health, disability and social services to people, family/whanau and the wider community.

The sectors confirmed the on-going need for a suite of new and replacement qualifications recognising shared graduate capabilities and providing education pathways for learners.

#### **Main changes resulting from the review**

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National Certificate in Community Support Services (Disability Information Provision) (Level 4) [Ref: 1406]

*Replaced by*

**New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing (Social and Community Services) (Level 4) with strands in Community Facilitation, Community Health Work, Mental Health and Addiction Support, and Social Services [Ref: 2992]**

Review category	<b>C</b>	See <a href="#">Key to Qualification Review Categories</a> at the end of report
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National Certificate in Brain Injury Support (Level 4) [Ref: 1600].

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**New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing (Rehabilitation Support) (Level 4) with strands in Brain Injury, Spinal Cord Impairment and Chronic Illness [Ref: 2991]**

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## Transition

The last date for entry into programmes leading to the replaced qualifications will be 31 December 2017.

The last date for award of the replaced qualification is 31 December 2019. People currently working towards the replaced qualifications can either complete the requirements by 31 December 2019 or undertake a credit recognition process to have their achievements recognised in an approved programme leading to the replacement qualification.

Existing trainees should not be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. Any person who considers they have been disadvantaged by these transition arrangements may appeal to Careerforce at the address below. Appeals will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

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Wellington 6140

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Email [info@careerforce.org.nz](mailto:info@careerforce.org.nz)  
Website [www.careerforce.org.nz](http://www.careerforce.org.nz)

## Key to Qualification Review Categories

<b>Category A</b> The qualification is published as a new version with the same NZQF ID	Changes are made to SSB name, contact details or purpose statement
	No change is made to title, rules or components of the qualification
	No transition arrangements are required
<b>Category B</b> The qualification is published as a new version with the same NZQF ID	Changes are made to title, rules or components
	The new version of the qualification recognises a similar skill set to that recognised by the previous version
	The SSB is confident that people awarded the new or previous version are comparable in terms of competence
	Transition arrangements are required if candidates must gain additional/different credits for the new version
<b>Category C</b> A new (replacement) qualification is published with new NZQF ID	Significant changes are made to the qualification in terms of components, structure, type or level
	The SSB views people with the replacement qualification as being significantly different in terms of competence from those with the replaced qualification
	Transition arrangements are required
	Transition may be limited to phase-out dates
<b>Category D</b> Qualification will expire. There is no replacement qualification	Qualification is no longer required by industry
	The qualification is designated as expiring and a last date for meeting the qualification requirements is set