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Dear Charlotte

OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technicals in Health and Social Care

Thank you for inviting me to review your new Cambridge Technicals in Health and Social Care with a view to supporting these as Applied General Qualifications designed for those wishing to progress into Higher Education. The qualifications I have reviewed are:

- OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Certificate in Health and Social Care (601/7059/1)
- OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate in Health and Social Care (601/7060/8)
- OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Foundation Diploma in Health and Social Care (601/7061/X)
- OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Diploma in Health and Social Care (601/7062/1)

I agree that these provide the basis for progression on to a range of HE courses at York College, particularly where they are taken within a programme of study which develops other skills and knowledge at the same level. Whilst the Certificate qualification offers a mandatory core of knowledge, the optional units that can be taken in the Extended Certificate offer opportunities to apply and embed that knowledge as well as to develop further relevant knowledge to enable progression to the HEI's within a number of health related disciplines.

The inclusion of external assessment should ensure that these qualifications are robust and provide the learner with a range of assessment processes to develop their skills. Learners on these Applied General Qualifications will present with a blended A level programme of study. I believe that anyone who takes these qualification would have had a good preparation for progression.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Division – Health and Social Care

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