

# Table of qualifications required for social care managers and workers working in domiciliary support services in Wales

## Domiciliary Care Manager

You must be registered with Social Care Wales in order to practice as the registered manager in a domiciliary support service in Wales. To register you must hold one of the qualifications listed below. The regulations require that people nominated to deputise for a registered manager must also be qualified as a domiciliary care manager and register with Social Care Wales. The Social Care Wales registration rules can be accessed on our website - [Social Care Wales registration rules](#)

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| <p><b>Current required qualifications</b></p> | <p>Level 5 Diploma in Leadership for Health and Social Care Services (Adults' Management) Wales and Northern Ireland.—if working with adults</p> <p><b>or</b></p> <p>Level 5 Diploma in Leadership for Health and Social Care Services (Children and Young People's Management ) Wales and Northern Ireland—if working with children</p> <p>A first level registered nurse must also hold either:</p> <p>Level 5 Diploma in Leadership for Health and Social Care Services (Adults' / Children and Young People's Management <b>as appropriate</b>) Wales and Northern Ireland</p> <p><b>or</b></p> <p>Level 5 NVQ in Management and Leadership (QCF) (assessed in a health or social care setting)</p> <p>First level registered nurses who hold the Level 5 NVQ in Management and Leadership (QCF) must also complete the Level 5 Diploma in Leadership for Health and Social Care Services (Adults' Management) Wales and Northern Ireland before they can renew their registration.</p> |
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| <b>Other qualifications accepted for registration</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• NVQ 4 Leadership and Management for Care Services</li><li>• NVQ 4 Registered Manager Award</li><li>• NVQ 4 Management (assessed in a care setting)</li><li>• NVQ 4 Health and Social Care (Adults or Children and Young People as appropriate)</li><li>• NVQ 4 Care</li><li>• Diploma in Domiciliary Care Management</li></ul> <p>Or for those registered before 2014:</p> <p>A social work qualification approved by Social Care Wales</p> |
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Holders of any other social care qualification deemed by Social Care Wales or by a Care Council to be equivalent to those listed in this Schedule shall be regarded as having completed the training requirement for social care workers in respect of the description of social care work to which the requirement relates for the purposes of sections 84(b) (ii) of the Act.

## Below manager level

To register you must hold one of the qualifications listed below. All domiciliary care workers must register with Social Care Wales by April 2020.

If you are applying for registration before 2020 there are two additional routes which can be used. These are listed on the next page.

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| <b>Current required qualifications</b>                                    | Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults) Wales and Northern Ireland<br>or<br>Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults) Wales and Northern Ireland<br>or<br>if working with children: Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Children and Young People) Wales and Northern Ireland  |
| <b>Other qualifications accepted for registration below manager level</b> | NVQ 3 Health and Social Care (Adults or Children and Young People) - as appropriate<br>NVQ 3 Care<br>NVQ 3 Promoting Independence<br>NVQ 3 Caring for Children and Young People<br>NVQ 2 Health and Social Care<br>NVQ 2 Care<br>Level 2 Diploma in Clinical Healthcare<br>Level 3 Diploma in Clinical Healthcare<br>Level 3 Diploma in Occupational Therapy Support<br>Level 3 Diploma in Physiotherapy Support<br>Level 3 Diploma in Reablement Support<br>First level registered nurse.<br>Social work qualification approved by the Care Council/Social Care Wales, including Social Work Degree, DipSW, CQSW, CSS<br>A list of acceptable qualifications from other UK nations are listed in the qualifications framework for domiciliary support services |

## Applying for registration as a domiciliary care worker before April 2020

Between April 2018 and April 2020, you can register with Social Care Wales on a voluntary basis. To do this, you must either hold one of the qualifications listed in the table above or apply to register by either:

a) holding the Level 2 Award for Social Care Induction (Wales)

*or*

b) if you have three or more years continuous experience of working in the sector, a statement of competence that has been signed by your registered manager and is supported by a portfolio of evidence of relevant knowledge and skills.