



31 March 2017

Dear Responsible Officer,

On 8 November 2016, we confirmed our intention to restrict a new suite of qualifications in Health and Social Care and Childcare (“the new qualifications”). The new qualifications will be ready for teaching from 1 September 2019.

This letter is to notify you of the determination to restrict the new qualifications so that there is only one form of each qualification. Each form will be awarded by a single awarding body. The new qualifications will be restricted for a period of five years from 1 September 2019.

The new qualifications are currently included on the Priority Qualifications List (PQL) to indicate that they have been considered for restriction. The PQL is a list of the qualifications for which Qualifications Wales has published approval criteria, which it is considering for restriction, or has decided to restrict. Following the publication of the determination to restrict, the new qualifications will be moved to the heading “Determinations to restrict” to confirm that they will be restricted from 1 September 2019.

The new qualifications will replace a range of existing designated qualifications that are currently eligible for public funding. The list of existing designated qualifications is not exhaustive, will be reviewed regularly and can be viewed [here](#).

The determination to restrict can be found [here](#). It includes the list of the new qualifications. Further information about the development of the new qualifications can be found on our [website](#).



Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Philip Blaker', written in a cursive style.

Philip Blaker

Chief Executive

Qualifications Wales