

Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Residential Childcare



L Maximum Duration: 18 Months

£ Cost: £2,500
(Flexible payment options available upon request)

The Programme

For experienced practitioners who are ready to step into leadership within children's homes, or who have recently taken on that responsibility.

This qualification focuses on the real work of leading a home. Supporting adults. Making difficult decisions. Holding responsibility for safeguarding and standards, while keeping children at the centre.

The Level 5 Diploma is the recognised qualification for managers in children's residential care in England. It strengthens your confidence in the role and supports you to build stability, consistency and clear direction within your home.

By the end of the programme, you will be better equipped to:

- **Lead adults in a way that brings consistency to the home**
- **Create an environment where children feel safe and understood**
- **Make complex decisions with clearer judgement**
- **Take full responsibility for safeguarding and standards**
- **Support and challenge your team to improve practice**
- **Stay steady when situations feel pressured**

What Will You Learn?

This qualification develops the knowledge and skills required to be an effective leader in children's residential childcare. Learning areas include:

- Leadership and management within children's homes
- Safeguarding and child protection at management level
- Understanding trauma and how it shapes behaviour
- Shaping home culture and relational consistency
- Working with families, professionals and regulators
- Reflective leadership and professional development

How the Diploma Is Delivered

You complete the Diploma while working in your children's home, applying learning directly to your leadership role.

You'll work with an assessor who understands the pressures of leading in residential childcare. Through regular conversations, you'll reflect on your decisions, your team and how you're shaping the home. You'll also have access to structured learning materials and short e-learning modules covering safeguarding, leadership and regulatory responsibilities.

On Completion

You will achieve the **Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Residential Childcare**, the recognised qualification for managers in children's homes in England.

Successful completion can support progression to Registered Manager roles, Responsible Individual or becoming a Regulation 44 inspector.

What You'll Need to Apply:

To enrol you should:

- be at least 19 years old and working in a relevant role in a residential childcare setting
- normally hold a Level 3 or Level 4 qualification in a related area.
- have a good standard of written and spoken English as the role involves clear communication, recording and leadership responsibility.

You will also need access to a qualified Manager within your workplace who can support aspects of your assessment.

Ready to take the next step?

Get in touch

To learn more about the Level 5 Diploma in Leadership and Management for Residential Childcare, **contact us today!**

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