

Recognising educational Quality (ReQ)

Dementia Care Matters is pleased to announce that the three Diploma Level courses on the National Programme have been granted **ReQ (Recognising educational Quality)** status by the University of Surrey and the University of Brighton.

Dementia Care Matters courses were rigorously assessed, following submission of course documentation, including learning outcomes, assessment requirements, course handbooks and reference lists. Those participants who successfully complete a course will be awarded academic credits.

We are pleased to confirm that the following courses are recognised:

Diploma Level: Person Centred Dementia Care

Diploma Level: Leadership Matters in Dementia Care

Diploma Level: Developing Dementia Care Training / Coaching Skills that really work.

Both Universities recognise that health and social care practitioners develop further knowledge and skills through practical experience which may not be reflected in formal qualification or they will have undertaken prior academic study. It is important this prior achievement is recognised and valued. Both Universities recognise suitable prior learning under the **Accreditation of Prior (Experiential) Learning or AP(E)L** programme.

Practitioners are able to gain recognition of this learning through the provision of appropriate evidence which may be used to gain entry to study programmes and may be used for exemption from a module/s leading to the award of a Diploma or Degree. Details can be found on the **Brighton** and **Surrey** University websites.