

Certificate Supplement



Description of the vocational education and training programme for
Child care assistant

Title of certificate in Danish

Uddannelsesbevis for **Pædagogisk assistent**

Translated title of the certificate

Child care assistant

Profile of skills and competences

Qualified childworkers and care assistants are able unsupervised and in collaboration with parents, relatives and colleagues to undertake educational and care-related work in institutions, private homes, etc in relation to children, young people and adults who may or may not have special needs.

Range of occupations accessible to the holder of the certificate

Qualified childworkers and care assistants are generally employed as crèche and kindergarten assistants, childminders, care assistants, personal assistants or youth club workers.

Qualified childworkers and care assistants mainly work in day-care facilities and residential care facilities. They assist in looking after, guiding, occupying and teaching the residents or users of the facilities.

Childminders look after other people's children in their own homes in the daytime. A childminder generally looks after up to five children under the age of 14. However, the majority of children in this type of childcare are below three years of age. All childminders are supervised by childcare officers employed by the local authority childminding agency.

Care assistants typically provide a support function for childcare staff with a training college degree working at institutions, sheltered housing and the like for physically or mentally disabled children and adults, for children with behavioural problems who have been removed from their homes and for drug addicts. A care assistant's work generally consists in providing exercise, rehabilitation and general care.

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Duration and mode of education and training

The total duration of the education and training programme is 2 years og 9 month(s), with 74 weeks of formal education and training and 52 weeks of on-the-job training.

Danish vocational education and training programmes are alternating programmes, which means that the education and training activities alternate between education and training at a school and on-the-job training in an enterprise.

Level of certificate

The training programme is a full vocational education and training programme, equivalent to level 3 in the Isced system (Isced 1997).

Access to the next level of education/training

The education and training described in this certificate gives access to level 4 (Isced) education and training in Denmark.

Name and status of the body awarding the certificate

Fagligt udvalg for den pædagogiske assistentuddannelse og social- og sundhedsuddannelsen
Ny Vestergade 17, 3. sal
1471 København K

In pursuance of an order issued by the Danish Ministry of Education, the awarding authority is authorised to issue a certificate concerning this education and training program.

Grading scale

On certificates issued after 1 August 2007, the 7-point grading scale is used.
On certificates issued before 1 August 2007, the 13-point grading scale is used.
The 13-point grading scale was replaced by the 7-point scale as per that date.

Additional information

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Explanatory note

The purpose of this document is to explain the contents of the certificate. Wherever possible the various sections of the descriptions are based of the recommendations given in 2241/2004/EC of the European Parliament and Council of 15 December 2004 on a single Community framework for the transparency of qualifications and competences (Europass).
