# BTEC Health & Social Care

Health care workers play a key role in many parts of society. They are available in hospitals to help monitor patients, they work in residential and nursing homes looking after the elderly. Some work in specialist centres supporting people who are disabled. Many health care workers are employed by the NHS. The NHS is something which is unique to the United Kingdom. The NHS has faced many a crisis over the time it has been running. It is important that you understand how the NHS operates and the impact it has on people.

**Your Task:**

You need to carry out some research into the NHS.

You need to think about the principles in which the NHS was founded and how those principles have changed over time.

You need to think about the issues that the NHS faces and the suggestions that have been put forward to help solve the problems. It would be a good idea if you thought about the pressures of modern day health care and what people expect from the NHS.

You may wish to consider solutions to the problems facing the NHS.

**Presenting your task:**

We would like you to present your work in any format you feel appropriate. It must clearly show which sources you have used to gather the information. It is also important that you think about the level of detail.