

A LEVEL SCIENCES

NEWSLETTER – JANUARY 2024

PRACTICAL ENDORSEMENT

Cycle 5 monitoring visits are continuing. Please read the [cross-board messaging](#) for information.

PRINCIPAL EXAMINER REPORTS

Principal examiner reports are available for [AS Biology](#) / [AS Chemistry](#) / [AS Physics](#) / [A level Biology](#) / [A level Chemistry](#) / [A level Physics](#).

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING TRAINING COURSES

Free online summer 2023 exam feedback CPD sessions have now all taken place earlier in the autumn. PowerPoints for all GCE Biology and Level 3 Medical Science are now available on the secure website in the CPD folder. A pre-recorded PowerPoint on GCE Physics is also available.

LEVEL 3 MEDICAL SCIENCE

Our revised qualification in Medical Science has been submitted to DfE and Ofqual for approval for first teaching from September 2025.

We're currently awaiting feedback on our proposals and expect to be able to update you further early in the new year.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING TRAINING COURSES

Full-day, face-to-face CPD courses designed for practitioners teaching the **WJEC Medical Science specifications** will be held during January 2024. These sessions are designed to give teachers a range of approaches that could be used to improve the teaching of some of the more difficult concepts in the Level 3 Medical Science qualifications, including the units assessed by NEA. Sessions will focus on why learners find certain concepts difficult and highlight ways in which they can be made more accessible.

23/01/24 Cardiff 09:30-15:30 [Events for 23/01/2024 \(ticketsolve.com\)](#)

24/01/24 Swindon 09:30-15:30 [Events for 24/01/2024 \(ticketsolve.com\)](#)

For those unable to attend the full-day face-to-face days, online CPD courses designed for practitioners teaching the **WJEC Medical Science specifications** will be held during February 2024. The 2hour sessions are designed to give teachers a range of approaches that could be used to improve the teaching of some of the more difficult concepts in the Level 3 Medical Science qualifications, including the

units assessed by NEA. Sessions will focus on why learners find certain concepts difficult and highlight ways in which they can be made more accessible.

05/02/24 16:00-18:00 Teaching approaches to Units 1, 2 and 3 Level 3 Medical Science

26/02/24 16:00-18:00 Teaching approaches to Units 4, 5 and 6 Level 3 Medical Science

BLENDED LEARNING AND KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS

Blended learning packages, exam walkthroughs and knowledge organisers are available. Visit the [Resources website](#).