



*VTCT (ITEC) Level 7
Diploma in Clinical Aesthetic
Injectable Treatments*



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Introduction

iTEC & VTCT have launched the Level 7 Diploma in Clinical Aesthetic Injectable Treatments with the aim of maintaining high standards in aesthetic medicine, an area of increasing importance to the public. This qualification is a stride towards better regulation of the clinical aesthetics field, reflecting our commitment to higher standards of education and training in this sector.

iTEC & VTCT have entered the clinical aesthetics sector after comprehensive consultation and collaboration with industry leaders and educational experts. With unregulated treatments being performed across the sector and growing concerns for client safety, iTEC & VTCT are supporting the industry with the regulated **VTCT (iTEC) Level 7 Diploma in Clinical Aesthetic Injectable Treatments.**

The qualification is Ofqual regulated and approved by the Joint Council for Cosmetic Practitioners (JCCP). This provides the industry with a fully regulated Level 7 qualification in injectable treatments within an advanced treatment landscape where the industry are looking for credible, regulated qualifications.

This qualification will focus on the required practical and theoretical knowledge to enable the learner to consistently to administer safe, effective and appropriate injectable, non-surgical, clinical aesthetic treatments.



Who is this qualification for?

The VTCT (ITEC) Level 7 Diploma in Clinical Aesthetic Injectable Treatments is designed for qualified personnel who have no conditions attached to their practice and who are registered with a national professional health care statutory regulatory body in the country within which the qualification is being delivered. This qualification is the first in the VTCT (ITEC) Clinical Aesthetics Suite of qualifications and is designed to support a role in the workplace. This qualification will assist in updating current skills and continuing professional development (CPD).

The knowledge requirements of this qualification aim to provide candidates with an understanding of the techniques and practices required for the delivery of non-surgical, aesthetic, injectable treatments. Learners will develop their knowledge and understanding of relevant health and safety pertaining to the Level 7 aesthetic treatments alongside relevant ethical and legal requirements to treatment, key treatment principles, the methods of and reasons for patient-centred assessment, how psychology influences aesthetic medicine and the key principles of anatomy and physiology relevant to the treatment modalities.

Additionally, the theory units emphasise the actions, risks and management options associated with botulinum toxin and dermal filler administration.



What does this qualification cover?

This qualification is informed by employers, providers, regulators and professional body consultations and has been designed to meet the guidance provided by:

- Health Education England (HEE): Qualification requirements for the delivery of cosmetic procedures (2015)
- General Medical Council (GMC): Guidance for doctors who offer cosmetic interventions (2016)
- Joint Council for Cosmetic Practitioners (JCCP)
- Education and Training Standards (2018)
- Competency framework for cosmetic practice (2018)
- Premises standards (2017)
- National Occupational Standards (NOS) 2020 in the relevant modalities

Professional and regulatory bodies included in the consultation:

- The Joint Council for Cosmetic Practitioners (JCCP)
- The Cosmetic Standards Practice Authority (CPSA)

- British Association of Aesthetic Plastic Surgeons (BAAPS)
- British Association of Cosmetic Nurses (BACN)
- Welsh Aesthetic and Cosmetic Society (WACS)

In parallel, learners will develop their communication and customer service skills and widen their awareness of the principles and practices of Level 7 aesthetic treatments and topical skin care knowledge, all of which are valued highly by employers and patients. The competence requirements of this qualification aim to consolidate the knowledge elements with related practical skills.

These aim to convey the ability to deliver dependably high quality, safe and client-centred botulinum toxin and dermal filler treatments.

Recognition of Prior Experiential Learning (RPEL) is applicable for this qualification. Information on the RPEL process for this qualification can be found here www.vtct.org.uk/level7-aesthetics.

Entry Requirements

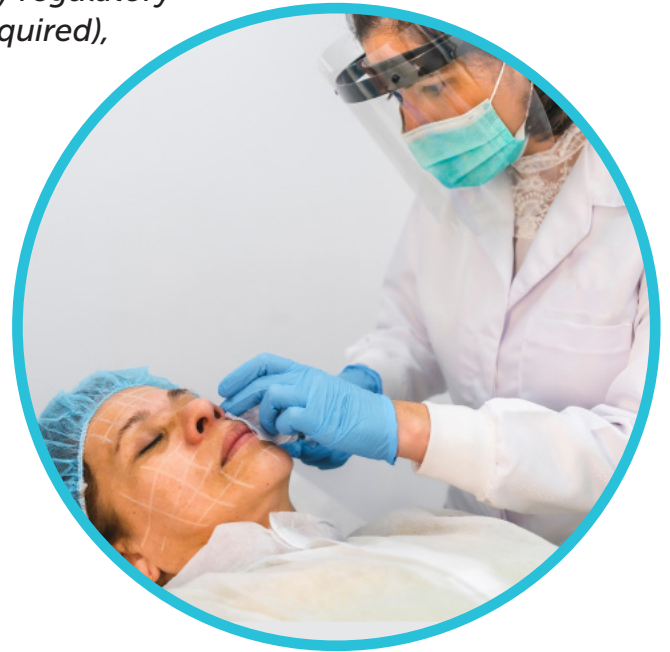
For entry onto the VTCT (ITEC) Level 7 Diploma in Clinical Aesthetic Injectable Treatments qualification, learners must prove they are registered with a professional health care statutory regulatory body (Professional registration numbers will be required), and have no conditions attached to their practice.

For example in the UK:

- General Medical Council
- General Dentist Council
- Nursing and Midwifery Council
- General Pharmaceutical Council
- Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland
- Health Care Professions Council

International examples:

- General Medical Council
- General Dentist Council
- Nursing and Midwifery Council





Learners are required to evidence achievement of required academic entry level (minimum Level 6/ degree level) on relevant national framework.



Learners are not required to be independent prescribers as they will be supervised at all times by a qualified prescribing practitioner, who will have ultimate clinical oversight.



An English language level of International English Language Testing Systems (IELTS) 7.0 in all components or equivalent will be required if English is not the learner's first language.



Learners who wish to undertake this qualification must also achieve the VTCT (ITEC) Level 2 Award in Infection Prevention (COVID-19) for Clinical Aesthetics qualification or a regulated equivalent.

Qualification structure

Within the qualification, learners will develop their knowledge and understanding of relevant health and safety pertaining to the Level 7 aesthetic treatments alongside relevant ethical and legal requirements to treatment, key treatment principles, the methods of and reasons for patient-centred assessment, how psychology influences aesthetic medicine and the key principles of anatomy and physiology relevant to the treatment modalities. Additionally, the theory units emphasise the actions, risks and management options associated with botulinum toxin and dermal filler administration.

The structure of this qualification enables learners to develop both theoretical and practical skills that will support progression within the non-surgical, Clinical Aesthetic sector.

To be awarded the VTCT (ITEC) Level 7 Diploma in Clinical Aesthetic Injectable Treatments, learners must complete all units by achieving a Pass grade in:

- ✓ formative clinical case studies (DOPS)
- ✓ assignment – literature review report
- ✓ assignment – short answer response
- ✓ summative external objective examination
- ✓ summative final practical examination (DOPS)





This Level 7 qualification is available through both iTEC & VTCT.

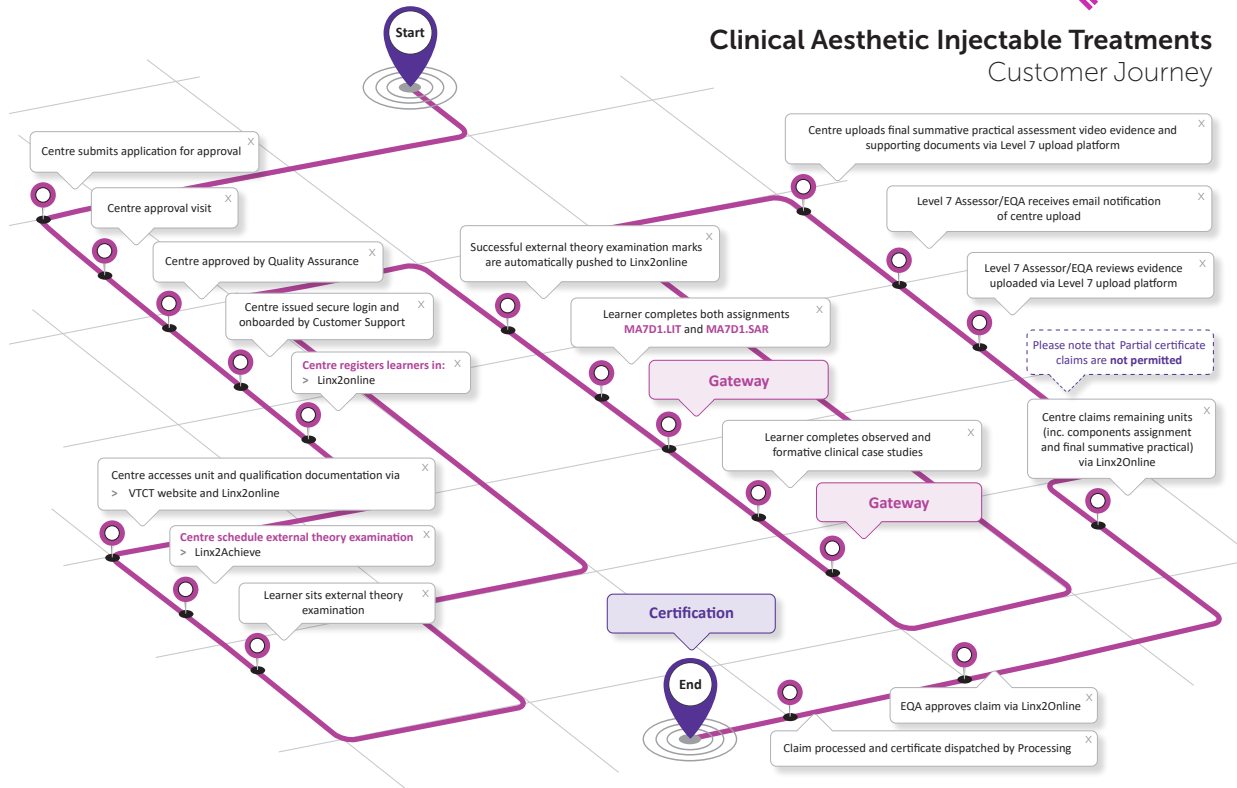
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| Level 7 | | | | |
| D/618/1671 | UMA1 | Principles of aesthetic procedures | 9 | 25 |
| H/618/1672 | UMA2 | Principles and practice of aesthetic patient assessment | 11 | 47 |
| K/618/1673 | UMA3 | Anatomy and physiology for aesthetic procedures | 10 | 20 |
| M/618/1674 | UMA4 | Principles and practice of botulinum toxin use in aesthetic procedures | 12 | 35 |
| T/618/1675 | UMA5 | Principles and practice of dermal filler use in aesthetic procedures | 13 | 40 |
| L/618/2590 | UMA6 | Literature review skills for clinical study in aesthetic practice | 5 | 8 |



The learner journey



Clinical Aesthetic Injectable Treatments Customer Journey





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