

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND
FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF MIDWIFERY
FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, MAY 2007

TITLE OF PAPER: ETHOS AND PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE OF
MIDWIFERY

COURSE CODE: MID 104

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

TOTAL MARKS: 75

- INSTRUCTIONS:**
1. SECTION A - ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.
 2. SECTION B - ANSWER ONLY ONE (1) QUESTION.
 3. FIGURES IN BRACKETS INDICATE MARKS ALLOCATED TO A QUESTION OR PART OF A QUESTION.
 4. LEAVE FOUR (4) LINES IN BETWEEN EACH QUESTION.
 5. START QUESTIONS FROM SECTION B ON A FRESH PAGE.

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ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION

Question 1

Informed choice is seen as the fundamental right of every woman who is pregnant if she has to maintain her autonomy.

1.1 Explain what you understand by the term "Informed choice". **(5 marks)**

1.2 State four elements ,according to Frith (2004), that require to be satisfied for an agreement to constitute a consent. **(4 marks)**

1.3 Explain what you understand by the term autonomy . **(2 marks)**

1.4 Outline four ethical principles which can be used by midwives during the ethical decision making process. **(4 marks).**

1.5 Identify six (6) generic steps in the Ethical decision making process. **(6 marks)**

1.6 Explain what you understand by Midwifery autonomy? **(4 marks)**

Question 2

One of the intentions of foetal screening through the use of the ultra sound scan is to diagnose an abnormality as well as confirm the absence of some abnormalities.

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2.1 Describe under the following headings, the role of the midwife where results of an ultra sound scan show an abnormality of the foetus.

- a) Midwifery practitioner -2 1/2 marks
- b) Counsellor -2 1/2 marks
- c) Advisor- 2 1/2 marks
- e) Educator - 2 1/2 marks

2.2 Outline the benefits of Midwifery care rendered to the client / woman through the Midwifery Practice model . **(5 marks)**

2.3 Explain the benefits of one to one Midwifery Care. **(10 marks)**

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SECTION B

ANSWER ONLY ONE QUESTION FROM THIS SECTION.

Question 3

3.1 Explain what you understand by the term "philosophy". **(5 marks)**

Read through the following philosophical statements about Midwifery care. Describe what you understand by each of the philosophical statements. Describe how you would apply the philosophy or element in practice. Illustrate your answer with concrete examples from Midwifery Practice.

3.2 Midwives are expected to provide Midwifery Care which will be supported by respect for individual autonomy, dignity, values and beliefs. **(10 marks)**

3.3 The midwife is an expert in normal midwifery . **(10 marks)**

Question 4

Midwives (midwifery model) world –wide have a common belief that pregnancy is a normal physiological life event where as Obstetricians believe that pregnancy is normal in retrospect.

4.1 Explain what you understand by the "Midwifery Practice Model of Care." **(4 marks)**

4.2 Explain what you understand by the " Medical Practice Model of care ". **(3 marks)**

4.3 Compare and contrast the Medical model and Midwifery model beliefs about "Pregnancy and child birth" . **(18 marks)**.

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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TITLE OF PAPER: THE NEONATE

COURSE CODE: MID 105

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

TOTAL MARKS: 75

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 2. SECTION B - CHOOSE AND ANSWER ONLY ONE (1) QUESTION.
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THE NEONATE (MID 105)
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SECTION A

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION

Question 1

Knowledge of physiology of the newborn assists the midwife to plan and implement appropriate care for the infant.

- 1.1 Identify three important factors which assists the infant to adapt to extra uterine life. **(3 marks)**
- 1.2 Outline five (5) developmental requisites for respiration to be established at birth in an infant. **(5 marks)**
- 1.3 Describe the daily examination a midwife will perform on the newborn baby. **(10 marks)**
- 1.4 Outline seven (7) later signs an infant may present with as a result of cerebral irritation, following an intracranial birth injury. **(7 marks)**

Question 2

- 2.1 Discuss three factors which may contribute to premature births. **(15 marks)**
- 2.2 Briefly describe the potential hazards or complications of prematurity. **(10 marks).**

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SECTION B

ANSWER ONLY ONE QUESTION FROM THIS SECTION

Question 3

Birth injuries contribute to infant mortality and morbidity. The midwife plays a major role both in the prevention and management of infants who sustain injuries during the process of birth.

3.1 State five causes /predisposing causes of intracranial birth injuries.

(5 marks)

3.2 Differentiate between a cephalhaematoma and a caput succedaneum.

(10 marks)

3.3 What advice would you as a midwife give to a mother to reduce the risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS). **(10 marks)**

Question 4

The mother who is infected by HIV can transmit the virus to her offspring during pregnancy ,labour ,delivery or through breast milk.

4.1 Outline the infant feeding options available for the mother who is infected by HIV in Swaziland. **(10 marks)**

4.2 Explain the pre-requisites as outlined by the UN guidelines for avoiding Breast feeding by the mother who is infected by HIV? **(10 marks)**

4.3 Outline how Mother to Child transmission of HIV can be prevented. **(5 marks)**

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