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FINAL EXAMINATION, MAY, 2010 (SEMESTER V111)

TITLE: Advanced Medical/Surgical Nursing II

CODE: NUR 431

TIME: 2 HOURS

MARKS: 75

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.
2. EACH QUESTION CARRIES 25 MARKS.
3. EACH CORRECT POINT IS AWARDED  $\frac{1}{2}$  A MARK FOR A FACT AND  $\frac{1}{2}$  A MARK FOR A RATIONALE.
4. ANSWER IN YOUR ANSWER SHEET PROVIDED.

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### QUESTION ONE

A young man of 29 years old is involved in a car accident and experiences head trauma. You receive this man from the trauma unit in your ward already stabilized, but still semi-conscious.

- a) Discuss the management of this man applying the principles of rehabilitation.
- i) Where should you start rehabilitating this male and what should be done at each level relating to head trauma?  
(15)
  - ii) Applying the principles of activities of living by Nancy Roper et al, state the in-depth assessment and diagnostic procedures to be carried out. (10)  
**(25 MARKS)**

### QUESTION TWO

This lady is 68 years old and is admitted with severe cirrhosis. Discuss the management under the following headings:

- i) Discuss briefly the pathophysiology of cirrhosis. (5)
- ii) Develop Three nursing diagnosis. (3)
- iii) Discuss the possible causes of cirrhosis. (5)
- iv) From the three nursing diagnosis develop the management protocol applying principles of rehabilitation. (12)

**(25 MARKS)**

### QUESTION THREE

Madam Mkhonta is 76 years old and is suffering from severe arthritis. She is admitted in your wards and you are the ward sister.

- i) Discuss the pathophysiology of arthritis. (5)
- ii) Discuss the diagnostic procedures and possible results that will indicate that she has arthritis. (5)
- iii) Discuss the management protocol of this patient applying the activities of daily living and using principles of rehabilitation focusing on the main patient problems that might occur in relation to arthritis relating also the drugs that are used for arthritis. (15)

**(25 MARKS)**

**(TOTAL = 75)**