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COURSE TITLE: ADVANCED-MEDICAL SURGICAL NURSING

COURSE CODE: NUR 430

DURATION: 2 HOURS

TOTAL MARKS: 75

**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer all questions in a separate answer booklet
provided.**

**There are three (3) questions, each carrying 25
marks.**

**Marks allocated for each question or part question
are indicated in brackets.**

There are 3 printed pages.

Question 1

- a) Describe and explain with the aid of examples any five (5) ways in which one's family and/or culture influences his/her physical health? [15]
- b) What do you understand by:
- i. Restrictive respiratory disorders [5]
 - ii. Obstructive respiratory disorders [5]

[Subtotal 25 marks]

Question 2

A 60-year old lady weighing 90kg came presenting with intensifying dyspnea. **Objectively**, auscultation revealed some coarse crackles throughout the broncho-vesicular area. Her old medical records dated 2 years ago show that she is a known **hypertensive** client who has been on treatment.

- a) What medical condition/diagnosis would you suspect and why? [5]
- b) Describe and explain your further assessment or investigations on this client which you will carry out or advocate for, outlining possible associated manifestations or findings. [15]
- c) What health education would you give to this client? [5]

[Subtotal 25 marks]

Question 3

Secondary to hot water, a 40 year male client sustained second-degree burns of magnitude 36% on the rule of nines chart, covering much of the anterior aspect of the thoracic and abdominal regions as well as the upper and lower limbs. He was brought to hospital immediately after the injury.

- a) Write short notes about the rule of nines in the context of burns [5]

- b) Write down any four (5) possible nursing diagnoses of this client [5]

- c) For each of the above nursing diagnoses develop your management protocol for the first 24 hours of this patient [15]

[Subtotal 25 marks]
