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TITLE OF PAPER: FOUNDATIONS OF MIDWIFERY
COURSE CODE: MWF 301
DURATION: TWO (2) HOURS
TOTAL MARKS: 75

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS
2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS
3. FIGURES IN BRACKETS INDICATE MARKS ALLOCATED TO A QUESTION OR PART OF A QUESTION
4. START EACH QUESTION ON A FRESH PAGE

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QUESTION 1

1.1 The World Health Organisation (WHO), in 1994, provided a holistic definition of the concept of "Safe motherhood". Define Safe Motherhood and state what this concept implies. (10)

1.2 Globally there are factors which influence women's health negatively. Discuss the under mentioned factors with particular reference to your own country (Swaziland).

1.2.1 Poor access to reproductive health services (4)

1.2.2 Modern contraceptives (4)

1.2.3 Lack of access to sanitation and clean water (7)

(Total Marks = 25)

QUESTION 2

2.1 The International Confederation of Midwives (ICM 2011) has set forth a code of professional conduct to guide the education, practice and research of the midwife. State the main components that are addressed by the code. (7)

2.2 What does the code state in relation to:

2.2.1 The practice of midwifery (12)

2.2.2 The responsibilities of midwives (6)

(Total Marks = 25)

QUESTION 3

Instruction: write the sentence and fill appropriate information on gaps

According to the International Federation of Gynaecology and Obstetrics (FIGO) the global state of maternal health is as follows:

3.1 Every year _____ give birth without the support of someone with recognised midwifery skills. (1)

3.1.2 Over _____ die each year as a result of preventable maternal causes. (1)

3.1.3 Every year _____ new born babies die during childbirth, and more than _____ million babies die before they are _____ old. (3)

NOW: PROVIDE SWAZILAND'S REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH STATISTICS

In Swaziland:

3.1.4 Adolescent pregnancy is about _____ percent (1)

3.1.5 HIV prevalence among pregnant women is _____ percent (1)

3.1.6 Maternal mortality is one of the highest in the Southern African countries at _____
deaths per 100 000 births. (1)

3.1.7 Neonatal mortality is _____live births (1)

3.1.8 Infant mortality is _____ live births (1)

(Total marks = 10)

3.2 State the three (3) Millennium Development Goals that are directly related to reproductive and sexual health (3)

3.3 A professional midwife has particular roles and responsibilities when providing care to pregnant women, their families and the community. Enumerate any twelve (12) of the roles and responsibilities that are expected of a midwife. (12)

(Total Marks= 25)

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