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TOTAL MARKS: 75

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

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QUESTION**

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QUESTION 1

Read the scenario and answer the question that follows.

Mrs X is Para 1 Gravida 2. She presents at Mbabane Public Health Unit at 20 weeks gestation. She says she will attend antenatal care at Mbabane Public Health Unit and informs the midwife that she would like to deliver at Hluti Clinic. At Hluti clinic the health facility offers antenatal care only.

Discuss the ethical issues relating to how the midwife will protect herself and the Midwifery profession in this situation. **Consider 5 points (10marks).**

[10marks]

QUESTION 2

Read the scenario and answer the question that follows.

You are a midwife at Mbabane Public Health Unit and Mrs P presents for antenatal care (ANC) at 20 weeks gestation. She says she will attend ANC at the Mbabane Public Health Unit (PHU) but would like to deliver at Horo Clinic. She says she has discussed with her husband and the husband agrees to Mrs P's decision. However the husband expresses to you that he is concerned about the wife's request to deliver at this clinic.

Discuss how this situation becomes an ethical dilemma? **(10marks).**

[10 marks]

QUESTION 3

Read the scenario and answer the question that follows.

Mrs N is Para 1 Gravida 1 is admitted in Mbabane Postpartum ward following a normal vaginal delivery within the past 24 hours. The baby's weight is 3.2 kgs; Apgar score 8/10-10/10. The baby is due for BCG (immunisation). Mrs N has told the midwife that the father's baby does not want the baby to be immunised because his friend told him that when his wife gave birth last month, the baby died following immunisation. The mother says she would like the baby immunised but the midwife should not record the immunisation and should also not tell the father's baby that the baby has been immunised. The mother also promises the midwife that she will keep this as a secret from the father's child for the rest of her life.

Outline the ethical issues the midwife will consider when assisting Mrs N and the father of her child to protect the health of both the mother and the baby. **Consider 5 points (10marks).**

[10marks]

QUESTION 4

Midwives are expected to conduct and utilise research so that the care they provide to mothers, their children and their families is evidence based. Discuss some of the ethical considerations the midwives should consider when conducting research under the following headings:

4.1 Beneficence (5 marks).

4.2 Confidentiality (5 marks).

4.3 Describe the elements of informed consent in research which the midwife should address, based on the above scenario, under the following headings.

4.3.1 Voluntariness in participation (5marks).

4.3.2 Providing Information to the participants (Information) (10marks).

[25marks]

QUESTION 5

Outline the health promotion activities (provide rationale for each activity) which the midwife does to fulfil the role of the midwife to women of childbearing age and give rationale for each. **Consider 10 points (20 marks).**

[20marks]