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COURSE NAME MIDWIFERY THEORIES

COURSE CODE MWF605

DURATION 2 HOURS

TOTAL MARKS 75

INSTRUCTIONS

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- ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS
- BEGIN EACH QUESTION ON A FRESH PAGE

Question 1

1.1 Compare and contrast between the midwifery and the medical models of care [15 marks]

1.2 Briefly discuss the first two competencies for basic midwifery practice according to the

International Confederation of Midwives (ICM). [10 marks]

Question 2

2.1 Compare and contrast home birth care from institutional/hospital birth care. [10 marks]

2.2. Briefly summarise the theories by each of the following American midwifery practice theorists.

In your summary, state the purpose of the theory, its assertion, and provide an example for its

application. [15 marks]

- a. Lerman
- b. Thompson and colleagues (Oakley, Burk, Jay, Conklin)
- c. Kennedy

Question 3

Briefly discuss the following 5 midwifery theories. Give examples to show application. [25 marks]

- Theory of midwifery practice
- Cultural safety theory
- Birth territory theory
- Midwifery partnership theory
- Primacy of the good midwife

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