



*“Investing in Africa’s Future”*

**COLLEGE OF HEALTH, AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL SCIENCES**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND NURSING (DPHN)**

**NSPH 520: HEALTH POLICY (MPH)**

**END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

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**DURATION: 3 HOURS**

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***INSTRUCTIONS***

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Answer **ALL** Questions in **Section A** and **ANY 3** questions from **Section B**

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The mark allocation for each question is indicated at the end of the question

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Credit will be given for logical, systematic and neat presentations.

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## Section A

### Question 1

Development of Health Policies in developing countries is affected by several factors. Discuss how the following factors impact on health policy formulation/review process: -

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|------|-------------------------|-----|------|
| i)   | Political environment   | (5) |      |
| ii)  | Country Health Strategy | (5) |      |
| iii) | A Pandemic              | (5) |      |
| iv)  | Country economy         | (5) | (20) |

### Question 2 a

Drug and alcohol abuse is heading to a pandemic in Zimbabwe.

Write a policy brief and address it to the accounting officer, The Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health and Child Care regarding this health issue. (10)

### Question 2 b

Evidence Based Policy, discuss what is meant by it and how it impacts on policy making process. (10)

## SECTION B [60 Marks]

Answer ANY THREE 3 Questions from this section - 60 marks

### Question 1)

World Health Organization documented six Building Blocks to Strengthen Health Care Services; Discuss any four of the following blocks can be used to impacts health care delivery system;

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|------|--------------------------------|-----|------|
| i)   | Service delivery,              | (5) |      |
| ii)  | Health workforce,              | (5) |      |
| iii) | Health information systems,    | (5) |      |
| iv)  | Access to essential medicines, | (5) |      |
| v)   | Financing,                     | (5) |      |
| vi)  | Leadership/governance          | (5) | (20) |

### Question 2 a)

Discuss Agenda 2063 highlighting the following;

- |      |                                                               |     |      |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----|------|
| i)   | Aspirations of the agenda                                     | (3) |      |
| ii)  | How it is said to be different from other previous strategies | (2) |      |
| iii) | Its impact on health care policy process                      | (5) | (10) |

### Question 2 b)

In the health process of policy review/development, several issues may impact on the process. Discuss the following in relation to policy development/review

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|-----|---------------------------------------------------------|-----|------|
| i)  | Stakeholder involvement                                 | (5) |      |
| ii) | Health Policy implementation, monitoring and evaluation | (5) | (10) |

**Question 3)**

**Formulation of a health policy is not an event but a process;**

Briefly describe the 8 steps of policy formation/review (20)

**Question 4)**

- a.) In the process of policy review/development, several issues may impact on the process. Discuss these in relation to health policy process. (10)
- b.) Describe what Universal Health Coverage is highlighting the challenges in achieving UHC (10)

**End of Paper**