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INSTRUCTIONS

Answer **one** question from a total of three

All questions carry equal marks (100).

DO NOT repeat material.

Write legibly.

Question 1a)

Development of Health Policies in developing countries is affected by several factors “discuss how the following factors impact on health policy formulation/review process;

- i) Political influence
(10)
- ii) Country economy
(10)
- iii) Discuss the relationship between the Agenda 2030 and SDG's
(15) (35)

Question 1b)

- i) Drug and alcohol abuse is heading to a pandemic in Zimbabwe. Write a policy brief and address it to the accounting officer, Air Commodore Dr J Chimedza. Include all the important components of the policy brief. (20)
- ii) Discuss what is meant by Research informing policy in the policy making process (10) (30)

Question 1 c)

Ensuring the sustainable financing of health is a complex process that is dependent on various ways to finance health programs. Describe the following in relation to health financing, stating how each approach impacts on health care policy process.

- iii) Abuja declaration
(10)
- iv) Disease specific financing/donor funded programme
(10)
- v) Public Sector financing (5)
- vi) Out of pocket financing health care
(10) (35)

Total for 1a), 1b), 1c) = 100

Question 2a)

- i) Drug and alcohol abuse is heading to a pandemic in Zimbabwe
Write a policy brief and address it to the accounting officer, Air
Commodore Dr J Chimedza. Include all the important components
of the policy brief.(20)
- ii) Discuss what is meant by Research informing policy in the policy
making process
(15) (35)

Question 2a)

World Health Organization documented six Building Blocks to Strengthen Health Care Services; discuss how each of the following six (6) blocks can be used to impacts health care delivery system;

- i) Health Service Delivery (5)
 - ii) Health workforce, (5)
 - iii) Access to essential medicines, (5) (5)
 - iv) Health Information System (5)
 - v) Financing, (5)
 - vi) Leadership/governance (5)
- (30)

Question 2b)

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

- i) Advocacy (5)
- ii) Top to Bottom; Bottom to top approach of policy implementation
(10)
- iii) Research informing policy (10)
- iv) The role of monitoring and evaluation in policy formation/review)
(10) (35)

Question 2c)

- i) Below are the different documents that form the foundations for Agenda 2063. Briefly discuss each one of them in relation to policy formation
 - The Constitutive Act of the African Union (5)
 - The African Union Vision (5)
 - The 8 Priority Areas of AU 50th Anniversary Solemn Declaration (5)

- African Aspirations for 2063 (5)
 - Regional and Continental Frameworks (5)
 - Member States National Plans (5)
- (20)

- i) Discuss the role of advocacy in policy formation.
(15) (35)

Total for 2a), 2b), 2c) = 100

Question 3a)

Ensuring the sustainable financing of health is a complex process that is dependent on various ways to finance health programs. Describe the following in relation to their impact on health financing , stating the advantages and disadvantages of each approach

- iii) Abuja declaration (5)
- iv) Disease specific financing/donor funded programmes
(10)
- v) Public Sector financing
(10)
- vi) Out of pocket financing health care
(10) (35)

Question 3b)

- i) Drug and alcohol abuse is heading to a pandemic in Zimbabwe. Write a policy brief and address it to the accounting officer, Air Commodore Dr J Chimedza. Include all the important components of the policy brief. (20)
- ii) Discuss what is meant by Research informing policy in the policy making process
(15) (35)

Question 3c)

In the process of policy review/development, several issues may impact on the process. Discuss the following:

(10)

- i) Top to Bottom; Bottom to top approach of policy implementation
(10)
- ii) The role of monitoring and evaluation in policy formation/review
(10)
- iii) Discuss the Purpose of the First-Ten Year Implementation Plan of Agenda 2063
(10) (30)

Total for 3a), 3b), 3c) = 100

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