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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2024/2025

THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR  
OF SCIENCE IN HEALTH SYSTEM MANAGEMENT

**NNH 3303 – INTRODUCTION TO HEALTH ETHICS AND LAWS**

**DATE: JANUARY 2025**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:** Answer Question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions

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## QUESTION ONE

- a) Explain the following terms as used in health law
  - i. Negligence (2marks)
  - ii. Ethical dilemmas (2marks)
  - iii. Against Medical Advice (AMA) (2marks)
  - iv. Policies (2marks)
- b) Explain the difference between deontological and teleological ethical theories(6marks)
- c) Evaluate the ethical implications of mandatory vaccination policies (4marks)
- d) Explain THREE characteristics of law (6marks)
- e) Explain the applications of Hippocratic oath and Nuremberg code in medical practice (6marks)

## QUESTION TWO (20MARKS)

- a) Explain FOUR ethical principles in modern healthcare (12 marks)
- b) Citizens play a crucial role in the effective implementation and success of health laws and regulation. Explain four roles of citizens (8 marks)



### **QUESTION THREE (20MARKS)**

Discuss the important of informed consent in healthcare. Include the ethical principles that support this practice and potential consequences of failing to obtain proper consent. (20 marks)

### **QUESTION FOUR (20MARKS)**

- a) Generally speaking, sources of Kenyan law are found in Judicature Act Cap 8 of the laws of Kenya, Explain FOUR sources of health laws and regulations (12 marks)
- b) In Kenya, patients have several rights that are protected by the constitution and various health laws. Explain FOUR key Rights (8marks)

### **QUESTION FIVE (20MARKS)**

- a) Explain, with examples, the differences between ethical and legal obligation in health care in Kenya (10marks)
- b) Explain FIVE benefits and dangers of telling the truth to patient (10marks)

