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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER JULY, 2006

TITLE OF PAPER	:	COMMUNITY MIDWIFERY
COURSE CODE	:	MID 103
DURATION	:	TWO (3) HOURS
TOTAL MARKS	:	100
INSTRUCTION	:	1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS 2. FIGURES IN BRACKETS INDICATE MARKS ALLOCATED TO EACH QUESTION 3. ANSWER EACH QUESTION ON A NEW PAGE

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QUESTION 1

1.1 Mrs. Masina is a single parent of 3 children. She got separated from the husband before the youngest child was born 5 years ago. The father of the children is married to another woman and he does not support these children in any meaningful way. Mrs. Masina works for Ubombo Ranches Sugar Company as a cleaner. She lives with her children in a two-roomed company house and receives the monthly food rations from the Company. She upholds her cultural belief that there is no divorce in the Swazi traditional marriage.

- 1.1.1. What are the possible health hazards that can arise from living in such overcrowded house? (6)
- 1.1.2. Explain how her situation can place her at risk to acquire HIV/AIDS? (9)
- 1.1.3. What are the most likely problems she could be experiencing as a working woman? (10)

TOTAL MARKS 25

QUESTION 2

2.1. Mrs. Ndinda is gravida 3 para 2 and she is 32 wks pregnant. During physical examination of a pregnant woman you have noticed very bad bruises on her abdomen and upper thighs.

- 2.1.1 What would make you suspect that she has been abused? (10)
- 2.1.2 Explain how pregnancy affects physical abuse and how abuse affects pregnancy. (10)
- 2.1.3 Explain how you can assist a little girl who, according to the neighbor, is being abused by her father. (5)

QUESTION 3

3.1 Women and children are said to be vulnerable in society. Write concise notes on how women and children could be affected in the following situations:

- 3.1.1 Women and children living in a country where Structural adjustment has been imposed. (6)
- 3.1.2 Women and children living in a war-torn country (8)
- 3.1.3 Make La Masuku is in a polygamous relationship. She is third wife out of four wives. Her husband is a truck-driver. He takes long trips to Cape Town, in South Africa. La Masuku has three (3) under-five children. She is a

housewife.

(6)

- 3.1.4 As a conscientious midwife you realize that the health of a nation depends on healthy women (most women are indigenous care providers) however, in order for them to fulfill this role they need to be healthy themselves. One of the threats to women's health is their inability to negotiate condom use with their partners. How would you empower women so that they are protected from HIV thus they can take care of their families?

(5)

QUESTION 4

- 4.1 Mrs. Manu is a foreigner who resides at Manzana has come for Antenatal care for the first time at a Public Health facility where you are working. She has expressed a wish for home delivery. With nostalgia she has stated "I wish I were home where Domiciliary Midwifery is practiced". She is gravida 3 para 2. The past deliveries were normal vaginal deliveries in her house at her home.

- 4.1.1 How do you establish whether she is a suitable candidate for home delivery? (10)
- 4.1.2 What are the important factors in her home would you consider favorable for home delivery? (10)
- 4.1.3 What characteristics/traits in family members would you consider to be conducive for home delivery? (5)

Total Marks (25)