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**FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES**

**SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER: JULY, 2014**

<b>TITLE OF PAPER:</b>	<b>ETHOS AND PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE IN MIDWIFERY</b>
<b>COURSE CODE:</b>	<b>MID 104</b>
<b>DURATION:</b>	<b>TWO (2) HOURS</b>
<b>TOTAL MARKS:</b>	<b>75</b>

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**
- 2. FIGURES IN BRACKETS INDICATE MARKS ALLOCATED TO EACH  
OR PART OF A QUESTION**
- 3. ANSWER EACH QUESTION ON A NEW PAGE**

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### QUESTION 1

Miss Sibisi, an adolescent who is preparing for her final matric examination has just been confirmed 4 weeks pregnant, she did not plan for the pregnancy and she wishes to terminate it. Discuss ethical issues that surrounds this decision.

25 Marks

### QUESTION 2

- (a) Mrs Dube, a gravid 8, who is residing in a rural home with a terrain type of road leading to her homestead, which is 15 KM away from a rural health centre, is requesting a midwife to assist her to give birth at home. Discuss ethical issues that a midwife should consider before accepting the request.

15 Marks

- (b) A student midwife is working in a maternity ward, and is impressed by the professional values demonstrated by the senior midwife. Briefly describe five (5) professional values which midwives should possess.

10 marks

### QUESTION 3

- (a) Define the term 'consent to treatment' and make a relevant example

(5 Marks)

- (b) Why is consent to treatment an ethical issue?

(8 Marks)

- (c) A student midwife has sustained a needle-stick injury from a client of unknown HIV status, the hospital policy states that both client and the midwife should undergo an HIV test, but the client refuses to consent to be tested. Briefly discuss ethical issues related to informed consent on this situation.

(12 Marks)