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COURSE CODE: NUR 520
COURSE TITLE: COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING III
MARKS ALLOCATED: 75
TIME ALLOCATED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:
1. THIS PAPER CONTAINS A TOTAL OF THREE QUESTIONS.
2. READ THE QUESTIONS WITH UNDERSTANDING.
3. ANSWER ALL THE THREE QUESTIONS.
4. WRITE LEGIBLY.

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QUESTION 1

A. The human family is the most important client in Community Health Nursing.
   i. Give a definition of the concept "family" which is inclusive of the various family forms that prevail in the community today.

B. According to early nursing scholars the family is viewed as a social system which is made up of two or more persons.
   a) Describe two reasons for viewing the family as a social system.

C. Community Health Nurses (CHNs) have to work with families in the community.
   i. Discuss three important reasons why CHNs have to work with families.

D. One of the basic purposes of the family is to meet societal needs.
   a) Discuss two things the family does to fulfill this purpose.

E. Healthy families are a result of health preventive and preventive services that are provided by CHNs in communities.
   i. Describe any two (2) characteristics of a healthy family.

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QUESTION 2

A. Family relations are an important aspect to be assessed in CHN.
   i. Describe three (3) things you would assess within the community to determine family relationships.

B. Child bearing is an expectation in many traditional families and as a result of this expectation childlessness is usually blamed on the female partner.
   i. Discuss two (2) things you would advise a childless family with in order to bring a state of equilibrium in the family.

C. Decision making as one of the family structural components, is not supposed to be an individual family member effort but a joint family effort.
   i. List five (5) features of a decision.
   ii. Discuss two (2) effects of poor decision in the family.

D. The health care function of the family has a great influence on the individual family member's health status.
   i. List two (2) things that are used by the family to promote family members' health.

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QUESTION 3

A. The nuclear family is one family form that is ideal but vanishing nowadays. This family form has several variations one of which is a dual earning nuclear family which is usually faced with a lot of challenges.
   i. Discuss three (3) of these challenges.

B. Single parenthood is one of the most prevailing family forms in modern societies today.
   i. Mention three (3) factors that lead to this family form.
   ii. Discuss any three (3) features of single parenthood.

C. The family, according to the General Systems Theory, is viewed as a social system.
Describe the system under the following characteristics:

(i) Holism (2)
(ii) Interconnectedness (2)

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