# UNIVERSITY OF ESWATINI FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

# **MAIN EXAMINATION PAPER DECEMBER 2018**

TITLE:

LAW AND ETHICS FOR MENTAL HEALTH NURSING

**COURSE:** 

CHN411

**DURATION:** 

TWO (2) HOURS

MARKS:

75

**INSTRUCTIONS:** 

1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

2. EACH QUESTION CARRIES 25 MARKS

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#### Question1

Ethical codes for nursing assist nurses to differentiate between 'right' and 'wrong' and guide their decisions. They are usually documents in the code of ethics, code of conduct and code of professional practice/standards. Describe the roles of each of these documents for nursing and nurses under the following headings:

i) code of ethics

(12)

ii) code of conduct

(8)

iii) code of professional practice/standards (5)

### TOTAL = 25

# Question 2

Discuss the concept the ethics of care OR ethics of a caring relationship in the context of nursing practice.

#### TOTAL = 25

#### Question 3

Match the statements in column A with the appropriate name in column B. Indicate your answer by writing the number to the statement in column A and the corresponding letter in column B, for example, 50 = Z. (1 mark each.)

COLUMN A	COLUMN B
1. Principles that govern one's conduct/behaviour	A. Ethical dilemma
2. Fully answering a patient's question without withholding information	B. Rational
3. The means and the end goal must be ethical	C. Beneficence
4. Making decisions based on what is best for most people	D. Distributive justice
5. Harm caused by carelessness but unintentional carrying out of nursing tasks	E. Morals
6. Oral defamatory statements	F. Egoism
7. The intentional act of causing physical harm to someone	G. Utilitarianism
8. Involves two or more conflicting moral claims	H. Divine Command
9. Execution of duties associated with the nurse's particular role	I. Autonomy
10. The goodness or badness or right or wrong of actions	J. Assault
11. Doing what will benefit the client without expecting any personal reward	K. Right to refuse treatment
12. Written defamation of character using false information	L. Accountability
13. The doing of something which a reasonably prudent person would not do	M. Values
14. The term most closely aligned to ethics	N. Battery
15. Threatening to touch a patient without their consent	O. Deontology
16. A superior right in health care	P. Slander
17. An approach to moral decision-making based on human capacity for reasoning	Q. Negligence
18. Personal standards of what is valuable or important	R. Responsibility
19. Being answerable for one's own actions	S. Ethics

20. Generally has no satisfactory answer	T. Altruism
21. Using triage to distribute nursing care when resources are	U. Deontology
scarce	
22. The end goal justifies the means even when the means are	V. Veracity
not moral	
23. The principle most closely aligned to informed consent	W. Fidelity
24. Caring only for patients whom the nurse likes	X. Duty of care
25. Doing the good and right thing for a patient	Y. Libel

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