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SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH
MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH
END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION AUGUST 2023

UNIT CODE: MPH 718:
UNIT NAME: Public Health Surveillance.
DATE: 11th August 2023.
TIME: Three Hours **Start:** 4.00 PM **Finish:** 7.00 PM

Instructions

1. This exam is marked out of 100 marks
2. This Examination comprises TWO Sections
 Section A: Compulsory Question (25 Marks)
 Section B: Long Answer Questions (70 Marks)
3. The question on Section A is compulsory and Answer any THREE questions in Section B
4. This online exam shall take 3 Hours
5. Late submission of the answers will not be accepted
6. Ensure your web-camera is on at all times during the examination period
7. No movement is allowed during the examination
8. Idling of your machine for 5 min or more will lead to lock out from the exam
9. The Learning Management System (LMS) has inbuilt integrity checks to detect cheating
10. Any aspect of cheating detected during and or after the exam administration will lead to nullification of your exam
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SECTION A: COMPULSORY QUESTION (25 MARKS)

QUESTION ONE

- a) Describe **Five** key elements of an ideal public health surveillance system (**5 Marks**)
- b) Differentiate between passive and active disease surveillance systems (**5 Marks**)
- c) Highlight **five** support functions of disease surveillance systems (**5 Marks**)
- d) Describe the diseases surveillance reporting structure in your country (**5Marks**).
- e) Illustrate **five** methods used to disseminate surveillance information to relevant authorities (**5Marks**)

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS

QUESTION TWO

- i. Illustrate the core functions of Integrated Disease surveillance and response (IDSR) (**10 Marks**)
- ii. Discuss the process of setting up a public health surveillance system in your country (**15 marks**).

QUESTION THREE

Discuss with relevant examples the systematic steps followed involved in outbreak investigation (**25 Marks**)

QUESTION FOUR

Discuss **ten** key attributes considered while evaluating the public health surveillance and response systems (**25 marks**).

QUESTION FIVE

- i. Illustrate the data sources for public health surveillance (**10 Marks**)
- ii. Discuss the challenges for implementation of Integrated Disease surveillance and response (IDSR) in Africa (**15 marks**).