



**AMREF INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SYSTEMS
SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAM – MARCH 2024**

UNIT CODE: HMD 312 HEALTHCARE LAW AND ETHICS

DATE: March 2024

TIME: Two Hours

Start: 16:00 Hours

Finish 18:00 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This exam is marked out of 70 marks
2. This Examination comprises TWO Sections
Section A: Compulsory Question (30 marks)
Section B: Long Answer Questions (40 marks)

SECTION A: COMPULSORY (30 Marks)

Short Answer Questions

1. Explain the following:
 - a) Health act (4 marks)
 - b) Patient Bill of Rights (4 marks)
 - c) Healthcare ethics (4 marks)
2. Outline three ethical theories. (6 marks)
3. Describe two end of life issues. (4 marks)
4. Outline 4 ways in which health law and ethics impact health systems. (8 marks)

SECTION B: LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS**ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS (40 Marks)**

5. Discuss patient-centered healthcare. Base yourself on four health professionals' legal responsibilities. (20 marks)

6. In your view, how might Kant's categorical imperative "[Treat people as an end, and never as a means to an end]" influence:
 - a) Governance of your health facility? (10 marks)
 - b) Doctor-patient relationship? (10 marks)

7. According to Article 26 of the Constitution of Kenya (2010):
 - (1) Every person has the right to life.
 - (2) The life of a person begins at conception.
 - (4) Abortion is not permitted unless, in the opinion of a trained professional, there is need for emergency treatment, or the life or health of the mother is in danger, or if permitted by any other written law.

Despite this, backstreet abortions still occur with serious health risks to the patient and legal implications to both the doctor and their patient.

- a) Discuss two prolife arguments against and two prochoice arguments in favor of abortion. (14 marks)
 - b) Outline two ways to avoid or minimize backstreet abortions. (6 marks)
8. Discuss any two beginning of life issues. (20 marks)

 9. a) Explain the rationale for research ethics. (5 marks)
b) You are the principal researcher in a Biomedical Research involving people living with HIV/AIDS. Elaborate three ethical principles that you will include in your proposal to meet the local IERC, NACOSTI (2013) and the Constitution of Kenya (2010) Chapter four. (15 marks)