

**102105T4HSS**

**HEALTH SERVICES SUPPORT PROVIDER LEVEL 4**

**MED/OS/HSS/CR/03/4/A**

**APPLY MEDICAL LEGAL ETHICS**

**WRITTEN ASSESSMENT**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

*Maximum marks for each question are indicated in brackets ( ).*

*This paper consists of* ***THREE*** *sections: A,and B.*

*Answer questions as per instructions in each section.*

*You are provided with a separate answer booklet*.

**This paper consists of EIGHT (8) printed pages**

**Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing**

**SECTION A** (20 marks)

***Answer ALL questions in this section.***

1. When caring for a client in hospital, it is important to maintain the client’s dignity by:

(1mark)

1. Spending time to let clients share their life experiences
2. Maintain client’s privacy as they change into the theatre gowns
3. Patients to change their clothes in the general ward
4. Decreasing emphasis on attending to the client’s appearance
5. One of the following defines perioperative theatre technician’s code of ethics; (1 mark)
6. Health workers may decide on their own which relevant documentation is and which is not.
7. It expresses the professional value that is right or good practice.
8. Provide healthcare without discrimination
9. Formation and maintenance within the scope of practice
10. The term that best describes a wrongful act against a person or their property and usually results in a prison term, fine or short jail sentence is; (1 mark)
11. Crime
12. Misdemeanor
13. Tort
14. Felony
15. A wrong committed by an individual against a person or their property that is heard by a civil court and is punishable by the state, must pay for damages, and rarely includes imprisonment is; (1 mark)
16. Misdemeanor
17. Crime
18. Tort
19. Felony
20. The surgical consent is sought by; (1mark)
21. Physician.
22. Health service support provider
23. Nurse.
24. Anesthetist
25. One of the important roles of hospital ethics committees is; (1 mark)
26. Committees assume an oversight role over practitioners to prevent malpractices
27. Committees protect its members of staff against malpractices claims
28. Develop policies and train employees to enhance their decision-making during dilemmas
29. Ethics committees are the only institution to solve cases of ethical violation
30. A Health Services Support Provider’s actions are considered to be grossly negligent if he or she; (1 mark)
31. Makes a simple mistake that causes harm to the patient
32. Only provides basic life support to a critical patient

##### Willfully deviates from the standard of care

1. Does not consult with online medical control first
2. When a client is confused, left alone with the side rails down, and the bed in a high position, the client falls and breaks a hip. The medical legal issue broken is; (1 mark)
3. Assault
4. Battery
5. Negligence
6. Civil tort
7. Legal exposure can be avoided if the healthcare worker; (1 mark)
8. Acts according to the standards of care
9. Acts according to the prescribed code of ethics
10. Behaves in a faithful manner
11. Maintains constant observation of the patient
12. Litigation in the hospital can occur to theatre technicians when: (1 mark)
13. Abandoning the patient in the postoperative unit
14. Follows an order that is incomplete or incorrect
15. Documenting blame on the surgeon when a mistake is made
16. Supervisor watching a new employee check his or her skills level

**SECTION B:** (40 marks)

***(Answer ALL questions in this section)***

1. Define the following terminologies as used in medical-legal practice (3 marks)
2. Ethics
3. Morals
4. Tort
5. When acquiring medical guidelines in Kenya different sources are utilized. State **Three (3)** sources of the law in Kenya. (3 marks)
6. When determining the nature of offence various elements are considered. Explain **Two (2)** elements that are required to prove negligence. (4 marks)
7. After occurrence of an offence if the culprit if found guilty various measures are taken. Highlight **Four (4)** implications of medical legal cases. (4 marks)
8. Documentation of any potential medical-legal and ethical issues during delivery of perioperative services can be significant for the health care provider. State **Three (3)** importance of documentation of potential medical-legal issues. (3 marks)
9. A patient you attended to expresses dissatisfaction and has allegations of malpractices at your health facility. What are the **4 D’s** of malpractice? (4 marks)
10. Highlight Four (4) examples of medical-legal cases. (4 marks)
11. Before receiving a patient, counterchecking correct and complete documentation is done. State **Five (5)** reasons why documentation is important in theater; ( 5 Marks)
12. Highlight any **Four (4)** ethical issues in medicine you are likely to encounter as a professional. (4 marks)
13. Discuss **Four (4)** reasons why it’s important to study ethics as a Health Services Support Provider. (4 marks)
14. As a Health Services Support Provider, one should be vigilant to ensure quality care is offered and the code of ethics is upheld to avoid battery. Differentiate between the term battery and assault. (2 marks)