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Course Title: Disease, Illness and Society (HEM703)
Credit Unit: 3
Time: 2hours
Total Score: 70 marks
Instruction: Answer ALL questions.

QUESTION 1 **25marks**

Table 1 below is the percentage distribution of births according to place of births. Use the table to answer the following questions:

- a. Explain briefly the importance of place of birth to an individual. (4 marks)
- b. Compare the overall percentage births in the modern health facility with that of the home. (4 marks)
- c. Briefly discuss the influence of education on place of births. (8 marks)
- d. Use at least 4 factors to enumerate how the factors influence child birth patronage at home and modern health facilities (9 marks)

Characteristics	Health facility (%)	At home (%)	Others (%)
Urban	52.5	42.2	5.4
Rural	31.5	64.5	4.0
No Education	13.4	82.9	3.7
Primary	48.0	47.1	5.0
Secondary	69.7	27.0	5.1
Higher	83.9	11.4	4.7
All	37.3	58.3	4.4

QUESTION 2

- a. List the philosophy of traditional medicine(5marks)
- b. Use some examples and explain five forms of traditional medicine. (10marks)

QUESTION 3 **(15marks)**

Write fully on the five main features of a modern hospital. Explain your points with clear examples.

QUESTION 4

- a. Differentiate between disease and illness. (5marks)
- b. Use some examples and discuss the two concepts of health. (5 marks for each concept correctly discussed = 10 marks)