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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN NURSING

NURS 912: PHILOSOPHY AND THEORIES

STREAMS: PhD Y1S1

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 1/4/2021

11.30 AM – 1.30 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

- All questions are compulsory
- Do not write anything on the question paper.

1. For a theory to be a theory it has to contain a set of concepts, definitions, relational statements, and assumptions that explain a phenomenon. It should also explain how these components relate to each other.

Discuss any five components of nursing theory giving relevant examples. [20 Marks]

2. Nursing theories are the basis of nursing practice today. In many cases, nursing theory guides knowledge development and directs education, research, and practice. Discuss the importance of nursing theory and its significance to nursing practice. [20 Marks]

3. There are different ways to categorize nursing theories. They are classified depending on their function, levels of abstraction, or goal orientation. Describe the categorization of theory by abstraction. [20 Marks]

4. Discuss the theorists listed below citing their contribution to the nursing profession.

i. Florence Nightgale [10 Marks]

ii. Hildegard E. Peplau [10 Marks]

iii. Kathryn E. Barbard [10 Marks]

iv. Virginia Henderson [10 Marks]
