



PAN AFRICA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

PHD IN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY

END OF TERM EXAMINATION (MAY TO AUGUST 2022)

DEPARTMENT: COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY

COURSE CODE: PMFT 712

COURSE TITLE: ADVANCED ETHICS AND LAW

EXAM DATE:

TIME: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

- **Read all questions carefully before attempting.**
- **Write your student number on the answer booklet provided.**
- **Question ONE in SECTION ONE is Compulsory.**
- **Answer any other TWO questions in SECTION TWO from the choices provided.**

SECTION ONE - COMPULSORY QUESTION (20 Marks)

QUESTION 1

- a) You are the student Therapist employed by PAC University. A female student confides in you that she is single and pregnant and wants to procure an abortion. Using the AAMFT Code of Ethics, discuss your ethical responsibilities to: -
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| i. | Your employer, the University | (1 mark) |
| ii. | The student client | (1 mark) |
| iii. | The parents | (1 mark) |
| iv. | Law enforcement agencies | (1 mark) |
| v. | Your supervisor | (1 mark) |
| | | (Total 5 marks) |
- b) Analyze any three emerging areas in the practice of Marriage and Family Therapy within the East African context which may pose serious ethical challenges to a therapist **(6 marks)**
- c) Articulate any three safeguards that a Marriage and Family Therapist may put in place in respect of receiving gifts from current therapy clients. **(6 marks)**
- d) Describe any three steps in the ethical decision making model **(3 marks)**

SECTION TWO: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS FROM THE CHOICES PROVIDED - (20 Marks)

QUESTION 2

- a) Explore two important factors that Marriage and Family Therapists should have in consideration in respect to evaluations for children involved in legal matters. **(6 marks)**
- b) Explain any three inherent ethical dangers in a Marriage and Family Therapist accepting barter as a mode of payment for therapy services. **(4 marks)**

QUESTION 3

- a) A Pastor calls on you at your Therapy Centre very worried that his wife is on the verge of discovering his philandering life and is certain that when she gets to know she will leave the marriage. He requests you to invite the wife for a couple's therapy. Analyze how you will handle the matter using the three ways of dealing with family secrets. **(6 marks)**

- b) Describe any two key considerations in Marriage and Family Therapy that may require a therapist to have some basic knowledge of some legal provisions that touch on family matters.

(4 marks)

QUESTION 4

- a) Discuss any three ethical aspects which make marriage and family therapy distinct from individual therapy. **(6 marks)**
- b) During a peer supervision session, a therapist shares that during her sessions she captures all the information that her clients share with her, by recording all her sessions with her phone without the clients' notice and without mentioning it to the clients. Describe any two ways you would respond to your colleague therapist on this issue. **(4 marks)**

QUESTION 5

- a) Discuss any three ethical challenges that the use of online therapy may pose when offering therapy to a couple. **(6 marks)**
- b) Identify two arrangements that Marriage and Family Therapists can put in place to avoid abandoning or neglecting clients in treatment for the continuation of treatment. **(4 marks)**