## A) READING COMPREHENSION

### Please read the following text:

NHS continuing healthcare is the name given to a package of care that is arranged and funded solely by the NHS for individuals who are not in hospital and have been assessed as having a "primary health need".

### Where is NHS continuing healthcare provided?

If you are eligible, you can receive NHS continuing healthcare in a variety of settings, for example:

- in your own home the NHS will pay for healthcare, such as services from a community nurse or specialist therapist, and personal care, such as help with bathing, dressing and laundry
- in a care home as well as healthcare and personal care, the NHS will pay for your care home fees, including board and accommodation

NHS continuing healthcare is free, unlike social and community care services provided by local authorities. You may be charged for these depending on your income and savings.

### Who is eligible for NHS continuing healthcare?

To be eligible for NHS continuing healthcare you must be over 18 and have substantial and ongoing care needs. You must have been assessed as having a "primary health need", which means that your main or primary need for care must relate to your health.

Eligibility for NHS continuing healthcare does not depend on:

- a specific health condition, illness or diagnosis
- who provides the care, or
- where the care is provided

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If you have a disability or if you've been diagnosed with a long-term illness or condition, this doesn't necessarily mean that you'll be eligible for NHS continuing healthcare.

To find out whether you are eligible for NHS continuing healthcare, your care needs will be assessed. For more information, see our website.

Now answer these questions about the text.

### 1. What is the main purpose of the text?

Choose your answer:

- a. Inform patients about hospital opening hours.
- b. Persuade patients to declare any "primary health need" they may have.
- c. Report on recent statistics relating to NHS continuing healthcare
- d. Explain the eligibility criteria for NHS continuing healthcare.

### 2. According to the text:

Choose your answer:

- a. This service is for people who have recently been diagnosed with a health issue.
- b. This service is provided free of charge.
- c. Only patients over 18 can have a "primary health need".
- d. The service is aimed solely at people with disabilities or long-term illness.

## 3. Where would you expect to find the text?

Choose your answer:

- a. In a leaflet for patients.
- b. In a journal article.
- c. In an NHS budget policy report.
- d. On an advertising billboard.

# **B) LANGUAGE CHOICES**

# 4. A linking word has been left blank in the sentence below. What is the most logical word to use here?

The RCN (2017) explains that, \_\_\_\_\_ childhood cancer is rare, it is – by comparison – the most significant cause of death by disease in children aged one year or over. *Choose your answer:* 

- A. although
- B. moreover
- C. however
- D. if

## 5. Which set of phrases below could help you transition to a new part in your essay?

Choose A, B, or C:

- A. The section below describes ...
  - What follows is an account of ...
  - The following is a brief description of ...
- B. •The term 'X' was first used by ...
  •The term 'X' can be traced back to ...
  •Previous studies mostly defined X as ...
- C. It is a widely held view that ...
  - •It has been reported that ...
  - •It has commonly been assumed that ...
- 6. Which of these sentences is the clearest? *Choose A, B, or C:*
- A. Several studies have addressed methods for preventing musculoskeletal injuries in nursing staff (Nelson et al., 2006; Owen et al., 2002; Rivilis et al., 2008; Tullar et al., 2010; Yassi et al., 2001).
- B. Several numerous and voluminous studies have successfully addressed methods for preventing musculoskeletal injuries in nursing staff such as nurses (Nelson et al., 2006; Owen et al., 2002; Rivilis et al., 2008; Tullar et al., 2010; Yassi et al., 2001).
- Several studies have addressed methods for preventing musculoskeletal injuries in nursing staff (Nelson et al., 2006; Owen et al., 2002; Rivilis et al., 2008; Tullar et al., 2010; Yassi et al., 2001).
- **7.** Which of these sentences is the most appropriate for a research report? *Choose A, B, or C:*
- A. Using the questionnaire as a method of data collection implies a risk of information bias.
- B. I think there might be a problem with the questionnaire.
- C. Obviously, there's a problem with it.

## WRITING EXERCISE

This section tests your spelling, punctuation, grammar, and paragraphing skills, as well as how detailed your response is. Spend about 3 minutes planning, and about 7 minutes writing your response.

## *Choose <u>ONE</u> subject and write your response in the section underneath:*

- A) What are the pros and cons of working night shifts?
- B) Describe somebody who inspires you.
- C) Explain why you would like to train as a nurse.

Use this box for your planning notes.

Ask the invigilator for extra paper if you need it.