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NGPA502-HEALTH RESEARCH MANAGEMENT

Level 10

FINAL EXAMINATION

DATE: 06. 08. 2025

TIME: 09.30 AM – 12.30 PM

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IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS/ INFORMATION TO CANDIDATES

- This question paper consists of **02 pages** with **04 Essay Questions**.
- Answer ALL questions.
- Do **NOT** remove any page/ part of this question paper from the examination hall.
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Good Luck!

Question No: 01 (25 Marks)

- (a) How can identical findings result in different interpretations in nursing research?
- (b) Discuss the factors that influence the interpretation of research results, using examples at relevant places.

Question No:02 (25 Marks)

Focus group discussions are a commonly employed method for data collection in qualitative nursing research.

- (a) Analyze and discuss the key principles and best practices for conducting effective focus group discussions.
- (b) Discuss the challenges researchers may encounter during the process and suggest strategies to overcome them, using examples relevant to nursing research.

Note: Need five (05) challenges and five strategies with at least five nursing-specific examples

Question No: 03 (25 Marks)

Discuss how a researcher can identify a research gap through a systematic literature review. In your answer, explain the steps involved in conducting a systematic literature review and how each step contributes to gap identification. Provide appropriate examples at relevant points.

Question No: 04 (25 Marks)

Critically evaluate the various methods available for disseminating nursing research findings. Discuss how the choice of dissemination method can influence the impact of research on clinical practice with three (03) examples.