

**THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRILANKA
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES
BA DEGREE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES – LEVEL IV
SSU2206 HEALTH ECONOMICS
FINAL EXAMINATION - 2012/2013**



DURATION: THREE (3) HOURS

Date: 03.03.2013

Time: 01.30 p.m. - 04. 30 p.m.

Answer five (5) questions only. Each question carries 20 marks

1. (a) What is health economics? Why it is important?
(b) How does it help the health planners?
2. Discuss the importance of financing Primary Health Care in relation to the concept of human development.
3. What makes the health care market different from the market for other goods?
4. Discuss the main eight sectors given in the framework of Health Economics
5. Describe the prime goal of health care sector according to the Alma Ata declaration
6. Discuss the role of Cosmetic , Devices and Drugs Regulatory Authority of Sri Lanka, in terms of ensuring quality health care services.
7. Examine the role of State in health development drawing attention to the distinctive features of health market?
8. Discuss the main modes of financing health sector?
9. Explain the rationale behind the pricing formula introduced by the State Pharmaceuticals Corporation (SPC) in 1988, giving reference to the concept of equity?

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