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EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS

For The Following Qualification:-

B.Sc. (Intercal)

Prim HIth Care, Med Humanities H005: Philosophy and Medicine

COURSE CODE : PRIMH005

UNIT VALUE

: 0.50

DATE

: 27-APR-05

TIME

: 09.30

TIME ALLOWED

: 3 Hours

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iBSc in Medical Humanities 2004-2005 Philosophy and Medicine Module (27/4/05) Exam Questions

You have three hours to complete this paper.

You must answer TWO questions in all: ONE question from Section A, and ONE question from Section B. Each question carries equal marks.

Please read the questions very carefully and be sure to answer the question asked.

Section A

- 1. Scientific knowledge alone is insufficient for the practice of medicine. Discuss.
- 2. Popper was concerned with the "problem of demarcation". How satisfactorily did he resolve this difficulty? Illustrate your answer using examples from medical practice.
- 3. The history of medicine supports Kuhn's theory of scientific progress. Critically evaluate this claim.

Section B

- 4. Does the foetus have a right to life? Critically discuss this question.
- 5. The consequences of an action determine whether it is right or wrong. Discuss this claim.
- 6. The consultation in general practice is an hermeneutic process. Critically evaluate this claim.

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