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### True (A) or false (B)

#### Regarding efforts to establish biobanks in South Africa:

1. A biobank stores human biological materials without any associated data.

## Regarding the rights of South African prisoners to holistic treatment for HIV/AIDS:

- 2. The most common rights of prisoners that are infringed by incarceration are the rights to freedom of movement and privacy.
- 3. The International Bill of Rights is another name for the Universal Declaration on Human Rights.
- 4. The Constitution has explicit provisions regarding HIV and AIDS.
- 5. The right to medical treatment for prisoners in South Africa has been the focal point of several judgments handed down by South African courts.

## Regarding the United States Supreme Court ruling on the patentability of DNA:

6. Patent laws typically do not exclude discoveries from patentability.

### Regarding informed consent for telemedicine in South Africa:

- 7. South Africa has recently adopted a National eHealth Strategy of which telemedicine is part.
- 8. Informed consent enshrines the right of autonomy and should be obtained for any medical encounter involving a legally competent
- 9. Currently written informed consent is required for all telemedicine consultations.

# Regarding medical information therapy and malpractice

10. Medical malpractice litigation in South Africa has recently been following global trends with significant increases in both the size and amount of claims.

- 11. The human rights movement has signalled a move away from the traditional beneficence model of medical ethics to a model of nonmaleficence.
- 12. For consent be comprehensive, continuous dialogue between doctor and patient is essential.
- 13. The doctrine of informed consent has not as yet been codified in law in the National Health Act.

### Regarding 'single' v. 'panel' forensic medical observations:

- 14. Section 79 of the Criminal Procedure Act deals with whether to appoint a single psychiatrist or a panel of psychiatrists to perform a mental observation.
- 15. The exact nature of the relationship between crime and mental illness is unequivocally clear.

### Regarding the hidden curriculum:

- 16. The value-system of medical professionalism is teleologically derived from the end of medicine itself, which is the unitary good of the patient.
- 17. The hidden curriculum is a set of influences that function at the level of organisational structure and culture.

# Regarding the legal framework for health research:

- 18. Section 73 of the National Health Act requires institutions conducting health research to set up or have access to a research
- 19. Non-interactional research is subject to the same legal norms as research with human subjects.

### Regarding the reporting of underage consensual sex:

20. The Children's Act provides that children from the age of 12 years are entitled, without parental consent, to access a range of sexual and reproductive health services.

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