Social Work Values and Ethics

Questions from chapter 1

1) What term describes a situation in which professional duties and obligations, rooted in core values clash?
   a) ethical dilemma
   b) a poser
   c) value judgment
   d) moral crossroads

2) The first stage of the evolution of social work values and ethics began in
   a) early 19th century
   b) late 19th century
   c) early 20th century
   d) late 20th century

3) In which stage did the profession begin to develop formal ethical guidelines?
   a) morality period
   b) values period
   c) ethical theory and decision making period
   d) ethical standards and risk management period

4) What contributed to the growth of interest in professional ethics during the ethical theory and decision making period?
   a) the Family Welfare Act
   b) the Great Depression
   c) technological developments
   d) managed care

5) What is the most recent stage in the development of social work ethics in the United States?
   a) Ethical Standards and Risk Management Period
   b) Ethical Theory and Decision Making Period
   c) Cyber-ethics and interconnection period
   d) The Values Period

Questions from chapter 2

6) According to R. Williams (1968), all the following are attributes and functions of values EXCEPT
   a) they are historically created and derived from experience
   b) they are shared by a population or a group within it
   c) they provide the means for organizing and structuring patterns of behavior
   d) they are purely rational constructs of what is desirable

7) The Elizabethan Poor Law of 1601 which synthesized earlier welfare legislation had its origins in system of relief provided to the poor by parishes of
   a) The Church of England
   b) The Catholic Church
   c) The Quakers
   d) The Lutheran Church
8) Friendly visiting and charity organization societies are elements of which orientation?
   a) social justice  
   b) clinical  
   c) paternalistic  
   d) opportunistic

9) Which orientation focuses on risk management and the protection of the practitioner?
   a) offensive  
   b) clinical  
   c) defensive  
   d) amoralistic

10) Which is NOT one of Gordon’s six value-based concepts which constitute the foundation of social work practice?
    a) The community is the primary concern of the society  
    b) Individuals in this society are interdependent  
    c) Individuals have social responsibility for one another  
    d) There are human needs common to each person

    a) societal values  
    b) organizational and institutional values  
    c) human service practice values  
    d) professional values

12) Which core value of the NASW Code of Ethics includes pro bono activities?
    a) social justice  
    b) integrity  
    c) service  
    d) competence

13) “Social workers should not harm their clients, just as parents should not harm their children” is an example of which core professional virtue?
    a) compassion  
    b) nonmaleficence  
    c) discernment  
    d) integrity  
    e) 

Questions from chapter 3

14) According to Reamer (1994b) the ethics code’s standards concern all the following issues EXCEPT
    a) social workers’ obligations to the community  
    b) mistakes social workers might make  
    c) issues associated with difficult ethical decisions  
    d) social worker misconduct

15) The ethics code bans all forms of bartering.
    a) True  
    b) False
16) Which philosophers argue that criteria used to determine right and wrong is subjective and any principles created reflect our biases.
   a) absolutists
   b) deontologist
   c) teleologist
   d) noncognitivist

17) Which ethical theory holds that an action is right if it promotes the maximum good?
   a) utilitarianism
   b) egoism
   c) deontologism
   d) absolutism

18) In The Theory of Morality (1977), Donagan argued that when choosing among duties that may result in harm, one should do that which
   a) benefits the most people
   b) has the least economic impact
   c) most benefits the community
   d) results in the least harm

19) According Gewirth (1978a) which is NOT 1 of the 3 core “goods” that humans must value?
   a) altruistic
   b) basic
   c) nonsubtractive
   d) additive

20) What formal means of consultation was mentioned by Reamer (1987b)?
   a) institutional ethics committees
   b) watercooler consultations
   c) conjoint-consultations
   d) ethics blogs

Questions from chapter 4

21) The best known legal precedent in the case of Donald M. is
   a) Brown v the Board of Education
   b) Plessy v. Ferguson
   c) Bauer v. LA CTU
   d) Tarasoff v. Board of Regents of the University of California

22) The case of Charice E. highlighted the fact that a subpoena requires therapists to appear in court and disclose the information requested under threat of sanctions.
   a) True
   b) False

23) Situations where social workers are inclined to interfere with a client’s right to self-determination “for their own good” are cases involving
   a) moral maternalism
   b) big brotherism
   c) professional paternalism
   d) strict sisterism
24) Social workers who have divided loyalties and believe that agency policies, rules, or regulations are unjust, have a responsibility to challenge them and seek necessary change.
   a) True
   b) False

25) What concept described by Spano & Koenig (2003), involves social workers and client’s attempts to articulate their feelings and opinions about difficult ethical choices?
   a) moral dialogue
   b) mind meld
   c) feeling wheel
   d) ethical conversation

26) Which is NOT a dual relationship category mentioned by Reamer (2001a)?
   a) altruistic gestures
   b) intimate relationships
   c) pursuit of personal benefit
   d) therapy with relatives

Questions from chapter 5

27) What is the most popular criteria for allocating scarce resources?
   a) equality
   b) need
   c) compensation
   d) contribution

28) Attempts to create affordable housing in communities have encountered significant opposition which is known as which phenomenon?
   a) NIMBY
   b) FILA
   c) PHYDEAUX
   d) Section 8

29) Which statement would fit Richard Wasserstrom’s view on laws and regulations? Social Workers
   a) should realize bad laws are meant to be broken
   b) should not try to “second guess” the laws
   c) need to be involved in the legislative process
   d) need to follow guidelines set down by their agency

30) The NASW code of ethics prohibits social workers from participating in workplace strikes.
   a) True
   b) False

31) Which study investigated the progress of untreated infectious hepatitis in children with mental disabilities?
   a) Willowbrook
   b) Tuskegee
   c) Manhattan
   d) Walter Reed
Questions from chapter 6

32) Ethics complaints filed against NASW members are processed using which model?
   a) judicial board
   b) mediation
   c) objective criteria
   d) peer review

33) According to Reamer (2003), what term describes the way an ordinary reasonable, and prudent
    professional would act under similar circumstances?
   a) golden rule
   b) reasonable expectation
   c) standard of care
   d) common sense

34) Which is NOT 1 of the 3 HIPAA components?
   a) privacy
   b) treatment standards
   c) transaction
   d) security

35) Which is NOT a condition that should be met to justify disclosure of confidential information to protect
    third parties from harm?
   a) the violent act is imminent
   b) the violent act is irreversible
   c) the violent act is foreseeable
   d) the client poses a threat of violence

36) According to Dickson (1998) the concept of privilege refers specifically to the disclosure of confidential
    information in court proceedings.
   a) True
   b) False

37) Which is a legal concept that refers to instances in which a professional is not available to a client when
    needed?
   a) AWOL
   b) abandonment
   c) respondeat superior
   d) treatment interruptus

38) According to Reamer (2000a), one of the most effective ways to prevent ethics complaints and ethics
    related lawsuits is to
   a) participate in peer review
   b) conduct an ethics audit
   c) take extra continuing education courses
   d) avoid patients with Axis II diagnoses