

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND, GALWAY.

SUMMER EXAMINATION 2000

**HIGHER DIPLOMA IN MIDWIFERY  
(NU 808) MIDWIFERY STUDIES V - MIDWIFERY ISSUES**

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**You are expected to answer a total of THREE (3) questions. Use a separate answer book for each question. All questions carry an equal mark.**

**Please note you are expected to support your answers by referring to relevant literature and examples from your nursing experience where appropriate.**

**TIME ALLOWED - 2 HOURS.**

**Question 1 - compulsory.**

- 1(a). Describe the role of the midwife in supporting and counselling the parents and their immediate family following a stillbirth. (40)

**OR**

- 1(b) Discuss the role of the midwife in providing education for parenthood. (40)

**Answer two of the following questions**

2. Outline the factors which may influence a woman's perception of pain in labour. (10)

Discuss the role of the midwife in providing support for a woman in alleviating her pain in labour. (20)

3. Outline the factors involved in psychological adaptation to pregnancy. (10)

Discuss the midwife's role in providing support. (20)

4. Write on two of the following:

Postnatal Depression. (15)

Birth Plans. (15)

Communication in Midwifery. (15)

Position for Delivery. (15)