

Brief Study Guide for Test 4¹

Chapter 9: Health Care Around the World

1. Discuss/describe in detail (not just list) the major characteristics of a health care system that are used to evaluate how well the health care system serves the population (at least 5). Be sure to discuss/describe in detail how each characteristic reflects the ability of the system to serve the population?
2. Describe the health care system in the U.S. with regard to the major characteristics that reflect how successful a nation's health care system is.
3. Describe how the U.S. compares to other countries regarding the major characteristics that reflect a successful health care system.
4. Compare the U.S. health care system to that of Great Britain with regard to the major characteristics that reflect how successful a nation's health care system is.

Chapter 10: Health Care Settings and Technology

1. What government programs were created that resulted in hospitals substantially raising their prices? Explain how these government programs resulted in hospitals raising their prices. What has the government done to reduce the high hospital costs that were being paid (be sure to discuss DRGs)?
2. Describe the three factors reviewed in class that affect the quality of nursing homes (don't just list). Discuss why nursing homes vary in quality. What appears to be the biggest issue(s)?
3. How do older Americans typically pay for nursing home care? How might this change for the person over time (if they live long enough)? What qualifications must a person meet in order to have Medicaid pay for their nursing home care?
4. What is hospice and how is it paid for? What is respite care?

¹ These may be revised or added to before test 4 so check back before the test.