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SCHOOL OF PSYCHOLOGY

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Time: 3 hours

(In addition, candidates are allowed ten minutes before the examination begins to read the paper.)

ANSWER ALL FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

ALL QUESTIONS ARE OF EQUAL VALUE

1. The Ottawa Charter served as a catalyst to shift health promotion away from problems characterised by particular behaviours towards environments (Dooris and Thompson 2001).

Discuss and illustrate your answer with examples.

2. The Federal Government will be funding a national bowel cancer screening program in 2006.

Outline a role for public health psychology and some of the theoretical models that might inform such a role.

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3. Health programs that operate at multiple levels, or combinations of the strategies described in the Ottawa Charter, are most likely to address the range of determinants of health, and thereby have the greatest effect (Nutbeam and Harris 2002).

- identify an issue of significance from the perspective of public health psychology (justify your choice);
- in light of the above statement, design a health program to address the issue.

4. It has been argued that we are increasingly living in a 'risk' society and that we are all 'perpetual patients without symptoms' (Finkler 2000).

Discuss, with consideration to:

- how these notions might shape public health psychology in the future, and
- the role critical approaches might have in informing the development of public health strategies in a 'risk' society.

END OF EXAMINATION PAPER