

LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034



M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – ECONOMICS

THIRD SEMESTER – APRIL 2016

EC 3812 – HEALTH ECONOMICS

Date: 27-04-2016

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00-12:00

PART – A

Answer any FIVE of the following questions not exceeding 75 words each:

(5×4= 20 marks)

1. Define health economics.
2. State the meaning of QALY.
3. What is the significance of “cost benefit analysis”?
4. What are community hospitals?
5. What does premium mean in health insurance?
6. State the determinants of health status.
7. Write a short note on coinsurance.

PART – B

Answer any FOUR of the following questions not exceeding 250 words each:

(4×10= 40 marks)

8. Describe the various alternative models of hospital behaviour.
9. ‘Medical care is different from other commodities’ - Explain.
10. Explain the various primary cost saving features of managed care.
11. Analyze the importance of elderly health care in India.
12. Does availability of free health care improve health status? - Elucidate.
13. Highlight the various direct, indirect and intangible costs with reference to a particular disease.
14. Explain the factors influencing demand for medical care.

PART – C

Answer any TWO of the following questions not exceeding 1200 words each:

(2×20= 40 marks)

15. Explain the various determinants of health status.
16. Do you prefer privatization of health care or government to take care of it? Justify.
17. How will you measure and assess the cost of delivering the health services?
18. What is the cost to society by cocaine, alcohol and tobacco usage? Which of these presents the biggest problem?
