

Student Name:

AHS 444 assignments

INSTRUCTIONS: Each question contains multiple parts. Please address each part or points will be deducted for failure to include sufficient detail. is worth 100 pts. Each question is worth 20 points so DETAIL of your answer is the key to obtaining full points.

1. Give a brief overview of HIPAA including what it is, penalties for noncompliance, and strategies for adhering to HIPAA regulations. Give a real-life example of HIPAA and how a health care professional can protect patient information. Is there technology available to assist the health care professional or organization?
2. In your own words, provide a definition of health care disparity. List two examples of a health care disparity. How does the Healthy People initiative advance population health and reduce health disparities? What are some things you learned from researching [healthypeople.gov](https://www.healthypeople.gov)?
3. Choose one of the National Patient Safety Goals you read about this semester and explain its importance in health care. How you can support that goal as a health care professional? What resources are available to help you learn more about the patient safety goal?

4. Ethical dilemmas exist in health care all the time. Provide an example of a health care dilemma and list ways you might provide monitoring or oversight. Are there organizations or agencies that monitor situations involving ethical dilemmas? Who should be informed of ethical violations?
5. What is benchmarking in health care? Who is typically involved? What are some general challenges in benchmarking? What resources are available to underperforming facilities?