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### **Response to Peer 1**

I agree with you that Hasty generalization is not right because it puts other good people in an organization to look bad because of the bad characters of a few colleagues. However, I cannot entirely agree with you concerning the Hasty generalization in your healthcare working experience. In as much as it may look true that some few supporting issues of health mismanagement in hospitals may not depict the true picture of all the health workers in that particular hospital, but it is also important to note that healthcare workers are essential workers who must at all time be ethical and professional. There must be no excuse for the professionalism of the health workers, for they deal directly with patients, and society looks upon them for proper healthcare services. There is a saying that goes, and a fish starts to rot from the head, and therefore the single bad visit by a patient is enough to judge the whole healthcare system of the particular hospital. Hasty generalization fallacy should not be allowed, and people should not judge using some few life experiences they have had. Still, I find the fallacy limited to a hospital set-up because it ethical and professional to treat patients justly and fairly.

### **Response to Peer 2**

I agree with you entirely in your statement that logical fallacies interfere with one's ability to have independent decision-making. It is so true that in the medical field, people are prone to using inductive fallacy to find justifications of their conduct by appealing to authority. Different diseases may show similar signs and symptoms in patients, and the tendency of many patients trying to self-diagnose because people they know had shown the same symptoms is a mistaken judgment. It is a good insight by you when you recommended that only through testing can one know what is ailing him or her to be given appropriate medication. I have also

encountered the fallacy that male doctors do not fully understand the female body and vice versa, so the opposite gender should not treat the gender of the opposite sex. I join you when you disagree with such because male doctors are highly trained professionals just as their female counterparts and are as good as their female colleagues.

### **Response to Peer 3**

It is true, and therefore I fully agree with you when you say that when a positive rod is placed near a stream of water, it will bend towards the stream and not to the opposite side because the protons on the rod get attracted to the electrons found in water. Your discussion is insightful because water has hydrogen, which possesses positive charges, and oxygen which possesses negative charges in their chemical composition. So the positive charges on the rod will bend towards the stream to get attracted to the negative oxygen charges found in water. When the pieces of paper are put next to a charged comb, they will indeed attract because the positively charged rod applies the same principle. This phenomenon happens because of the electrostatic principle, which states that as charges repel, unlike charges attract. If the same experiment is done with a negatively charged rod, it is true, as per your discussion, that the rod will still bend towards the water because the rod's negative charges will attract to the Hydrogen's positive charges in water.

### **Response to Peer 4**

I'm afraid I have to disagree with you more that in water, there is dipole created by the less negatively charged oxygen and slightly positively charged protons, which makes water neutral chemical composition. I enjoyed your discussion, especially when you rightly narrated that water is static electricity because whether an object is positively or negatively charged will

still bend towards the position of water because water contains both negative and positive charges responsible for attracting objects towards the water. Notably, the same effect was seen in water also happens to the balloon rubbed against the hair. During the rubbing process, the negatively charged ions move to the balloon, making the positively charged hair attracted to the negatively charged balloon, making the hair fluffier. Your discussion on the negative and positive charges is a true explanation of why water remains a neutral atom and put it out on why the hair becomes fluffier when a balloon is rubbed against it. I concur with your discussion on this part.

#### **Response to Peer 5**

I wholly concur with you that a fallacy can sometimes be viewed as a mistake in reasoning where an argument that does not or does not appear to support a contention is made to support or appear to support or prove it. The case of Rihanna and Bella Hadid being used by Covergirl and Dior, respectively, is a perfect example to substantiate fallacy. I agree with you that these celebrities do not own these products their names and pictures promote. Nevertheless, because these celebrities have a huge following since they are hugely admired, loved, and well known, people will unknowingly find themselves buying such products because, in their minds, they have been made to believe that their favorite celebrities use the same products. In the minds of these celebrities' followers, they purchase the products because they feel that being that their celebrities lead seemingly perfect lives, they will achieve the same kind of life if they use such products. However, in the real sense, it is just a fallacy where the celebrities are used for marketing the products of companies that they have no control over.

#### **Response to Peer 6**

False dilemma fallacy in the advertisement, as you have clearly stated, leaves customers with little choice but to use the given product being advertised. Your description of the false dilemma fallacy as a tendency of companies to use the conclusion as an alternative is best situated as in the case of MasterCard. If you keenly analyze MasterCard's advertisement, you will realize that they make the customers feel that they have no reason for being troubled in their payments, and they can only miss what they want to buy just because they do not have loaded cards. Truly, making someone feel that they can only fail to board the bus because their cards are empty is rhetorical because the advertisement does not provide the customers' other means of payment for the bus. The advertisement only presents MasterCard payment as the only accurate and reliable means of payment, disregarding other means such as mobile money payments and the use of cash that can be exploited in case there is an emergency.

#### **Response to Peer 7**

I feel the extent of your discussion on rape acquaintance because it bears the true picture of the state of our society where the whole issue of rape is politicized. I agree with you that the law that describes a perpetrator as innocent until proven guilty makes it difficult for many victims. It would be easier for such victims to find justice when it would be made that the perpetrator is guilty until proven innocent. I concur with you that the victims of rape, who are mainly women, find it difficult to come forward to report such cases because society has made it a norm in a culture that they are blamed in case such crimes are done against them. Constructively, this is a norm in our culture that should be gotten rid of because it is a traumatic scenario to be raped and blamed for the whole issue. Whether a woman puts on a short dress or not should justify them to be raped, so all the women should be encouraged to come forward in case of rape, and the perpetrators used as examples to any person who may have similar

intentions. I agree with you that society must learn to protect the victims of rape as it shames the perpetrators of rape.

### **Response to Peer 8**

I concur with your discussion on the access to physical education facilities to various groups of people within the society. Notably, it is perfectly said in your statement that not all schools use the physical education funds for the intended purpose. They channel the funds to other learning activities that they feel are more important than physical education. Indeed, most schools do not adhere to the CDC guideline, requiring children to have at least 60 minutes of physical education per day. Hispanics are not exposed to physical activities because their neighborhood environments have no such provision; they live in a crowded environment with no space for such activities, or rather, due to their low-income factor, they cannot seek gym services. It was well thought in your discussion that education plays a big role in making people knowledgeable about the importance of physical activities in preventing chronic diseases. This is well put when giving an example that those with college degrees are more conversant with the benefits of doing physical activities than people with lower education levels.

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