

Topic 2 Participation

Reply #1 Day 1- Keosha Jackson's post on Topic 2 DQ 1

Hello Keosha,

During this pandemic, COVID-19 had unknowns about the new strain of coronavirus, and it leads many to speculate on how this thing works. Since I work as an EMT with the knowledge of a nurse, I use said knowledge to formulate my hypothesis on what causes such a difference in an individual's response to this virus. In many cases, I wonder if the critical conditions associated with COVID-19 are due to the high viral load that someone comes in contact with the virus. Is it that some people have a weaker immune system? Without any concrete answers, I am still sure that many of the social determinants of health played a role in the severity of the infection of COVID-19. If someone has no health insurance plan, that can lead to the person to avoid going to the doctor's office for routine visits where the patient can optimize their health before falling ill. Doctors can provide lifestyle changes and health advice, which is essential in promoting overall healthy living and could have prevented this virus from causing devastating effects.

Reply #2 Day 1- Dr. Opeyemi Ojo's Fundamental Rights post on Topic 2 DQ 1

Hello Dr. Ojo,

I agree with Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus' statement that the highest attainable standard of health is a fundamental right of every human being without discrimination. It is true because no one person is perfect in the world. As a result of this imperfect person, they can give birth to a newborn with a health defect. The newborn did absolutely nothing wrong to suffer the complications associated with the health defect. Neither can the parents of that newborn be blamed. The world that these parents lived in is the outcome of the actions of individuals that lived before them. This domino effect is the cause of the cascade of events that lead to the newborn's birth with the health defect. Should the newborn not receive the treatment it needs because the same people who caused the risk factors impacted the parents' health leading to the newborn's defect? The answer is No. I understand that healthcare isn't cheap and isn't perfect, but a bare essential humane act of providing appropriate healthcare for all is necessary.