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91462 Analyse an international health issue

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INSTRUCTIONS

A health issue of international concern is **the difference in life expectancy between people living in poverty and people not living in poverty in the United States**. This is of concern to public health as it is affecting the well-being of a significant number of people.

Before you begin, read ALL parts of the question. Support your answers with **specific and relevant evidence** from **Resource Booklet 91462R**, and your own knowledge about poverty. Evidence can include examples, quotations, and / or data from credible and current sources.

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
Consider:

- significant and relevant determinants of health
- how each determinant contributes to implications for well-being
- strategies for more equitable outcomes
- connections to the underlying concepts of health.

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QUESTION

- (a) Explain how a difference in life expectancy related to poverty in the United States is a health issue of international concern.

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The life expectancy in relation to poverty in the United States, becomes a health issue of international concern, due to the many negative aspects that are a result of poverty. Income can have a major impact on the individuals and community's life expectancy. With more income, there is more access to basic needs and health care. In the United States, the past several years there has been a widening income gap, for the rich becoming richer, and the poor becoming poorer, and poverty increasing. The gap in life expectancy, comes down the basic needs of an individual. Education, employment, housing, and healthy neighbourhoods are essential to ones health. With people working on minimum wage and lack of pay increases over the years, it is a struggle for these people to buy necessities due to the increase of food and childcare for example. (Resource A). Higher income people are able to access to high education, nutritious food, employment opportunities, health care and more, which everyone should be able to access for healthy people and communities. There is a difference in life expectancy between rich and poor in the United States, with no clear lack of progression for over 25 years. While higher income people have access to health care, and basic needs, minimum wage-lower income households can struggle with the basic due to no free health care in the Untied States, no access to food, clean water, shelter, clothing or good education, which can result in many health conditions and a shorter life expectancy.

- (b) (i) Identify TWO significant determinants of health (DOH) that contribute to the difference in life expectancy related to poverty in the United States.

Note: Refer to these two significant determinants of health when answering all remaining question parts in this booklet.

DOH (1):

DOH (2):

- (ii) Explain how the two determinants of health could impact the short-term and long-term well-being of an **individual**.

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In the short term, both determinants have an impact on the well-being of an individual. Due to the high costs of simple necessities such as food, the economic determinant can be an issue for people with low income, as they may lack in nutritious food and clean water to keep them strong and healthy. This can affect their personal well being, as access to food and water is vital to stay healthy and fit, and to keep the brain growing and focused. Due to being no progress of health equality in the last 25 years, the political determinant has an impact of peoples income. Not only is it a short term affect, but becomes a long term affect, as without in increase in minimum wage or their pay scale, it is still going to be a struggle for the individual to get by with their basic needs. Another long term impact politically, is how the government cut taxes, but only benefited the rich more because of the increase of economic inequity, giving the rich billions of dollars, leaving lower income individuals with nothing to benefit them. These impacts all affect the mental and emotional well being of an individual as stress levels and negative behaviour can result. As well as their physical well being being affected with non stable housing, lack of education, no employment opportunities, and an unsafe community, can lead to obesity, smoking and substance use. (Resource D).

- (iii) Explain how the two determinants of health could impact the short-term and long-term well-being of a **particular group or community**.

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The two determinants of health, political and economic, impact the community's well being in the short term and the long term. Communities that are in poverty, their mental and emotional well being may be affected in the short and long term. Stress levels and mental health disorders can be increased in places of poverty. Also the risk of their physical well being will be affected by the economic determinant, as it is hard to maintain regular health care due to the expenses in the United States. It would be harder in the long term for family's in particular, as for example looking after a child or more, has expenses that low income individuals may struggle with, which is not giving their children access to being healthy and having good education.

- (c) (i) Identify ONE societal strategy that could positively address the impact of poverty on life expectancy in the United States.

Societal strategy:

- (ii) Using the determinants and impacts from (b), explain how this strategy could enhance the well-being of **individual Americans** affected by differences in life expectancy related to poverty.

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Due to the political and economic determinant affecting education, employment opportunities, and child services, having social assistance programs is a strategy to help with these. The way these will work, is clinics will provide pathways and assisting to those needing direction and help. Because the political determinant has affected job opportunity's and not increasing minimum wage, employment opportunities can become more available with social assistance programs, with career advisers or employers. This will have a positive affect on the individuals well being, especially their spiritual well being, as personal growth and changes to their life could happen with assistance and guidance. Their mental and emotional well being can also be affected positively, as it can become less stressful with guidance and assistance.

- (d) (i) Identify ONE community strategy that could positively address the impact of poverty on life expectancy in the United States.

Community strategy:

- (ii) Using the determinants and impacts from (b), explain how this strategy could enhance the well-being of **communities** within America affected by differences in life expectancy related to poverty.

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The strategy of making additional community healthcare centres in poverty areas, is going to provide basic needs for people in a poverty community in order to improve life expectancy. These will work by providing basic healthcare to poverty communities, as well as access to mental health services. With basic healthcare, the well being in the community is going to be improved and give them a better life expectancy, due to the impact it has had on their physical and mental and emotional well being. Physically, they will become healthier with access to general checkups and health care, and mentally, the improvement to mental health can help with chronic stress levels. The expansion of these clinics, will encourage more health clinics to be opened up and access too nationwide and politically, the government can fund this and make a push for more additional places to be set up for poverty communities in the United States. As a community, the social well being can also be positively impacted as with communities being given these clinics, it brings the communities together as support is being given and can also help mentally and emotionally for stress levels and other mental health disorder.

Achievement

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Q	Grade score	Marker commentary
One	A3	This response is low achievement as it does refer to sourced evidence throughout the paper. The strategies that have been recommended would need to consider the impact of the determinants, and consequent implications, to attain merit level.