Academic Source Practice Paper (50 points)

We are continually bombarded with health information and it can be difficult to determine the accuracy of information. Just because information is posted on a website or published in a document, does not mean the information is accurate. And, using inaccurate information can have severe consequences, especially when applied to personal health decisions. Therefore, the goal of this assignment is to determine the accuracy of a document by using additional resources to verify the information.

While completing this assignment, students will:

- Use research tools (such as Google Scholar, research databases, or reputable websites) to find accurate information on the health topic.
- Use their critical thinking skills to determine which sources include reliable, accurate information about the health topic.
- Paraphrase information on the topic, focusing on the ability to accurately describe the information in their own words.
- Describe the legal and ethical issues associated with sharing inaccurate health information.

For this assignment students will do the following:

- 1) Read the article posted in Canvas.
- 2) Access additional information on this topic to determine the accuracy of the information provided in the article.
- 3) Describe the accuracy of the information reported in the article. Does the article have inaccurate information? If so, what information is inaccurate?
- 4) Use at least 1 reputable, reliable, academic source to report accurate information that fixes the incorrect information described in the article. This discussion should include:
 - a. 1 direct quote
 - b. 4 paraphrased sentences
 - c. 1 in-text citation using APA referencing style
 - d. A reference page using APA referencing style
- 5) Describe the ethical and legal concerns associated with companies or individuals publishing/posting inaccurate health information. How can this incorrect information impact patient prevention, care, and treatment?

Technical Requirements:

- 300-500 words
- Double spaced, 12 point font, 1" margins, essay format
- Submit to the correct link in Assignments. This uploads your paper to *Turn It In*, a plagiarism detection device. See plagiarism information under Institutional Policies.
- Correct grammar, spelling, sentence structure, etc.
- Cite all sources of information in APA style format.
- Use of at least 1 reputable, reliable, academic source
- Students cannot use class notes, presentations, or articles for this paper. New references need to be provided for this assignment.

Grading Point Structure (50 points)

5 points – Technical requirements (excluding grammar, APA, and sources)

- 0 points Included 2 or more technical requirement errors
- 2.5 points Included 1 technical requirement error
- 5 points Adhered to all technical requirements

5 points – Correct grammar, spelling, sentence structure, etc.

- 0 points 6 or more grammatical errors
- 2.5 points 3 5 grammatical errors
- 5 points Up to 3 grammatical errors

5 points – APA citations and reference page

- 0 points No citations or reference page given
- 2.5 points Citations and Reference page present but more than 1 type of error in use of APA style
- 5 points APA style used correctly (with only 1 type of error)

10 points –Description of article accuracy

- 0 points Absent
- 5 points Incomplete discussion of the accuracy of the article.
- 10 points Included a thorough description of the accuracy of the article. Included a review of information that is both accurate and inaccurate.

10 points – Fixing article inaccuracies

- 0 points Absent
- 5 points Did not include 1 quote OR 4 paraphrased sentences when describing information that fixes inaccurate information presented in the article.
- 10 points Included at least 1 reputable, reliable, academic source with 1 quote and 4 paraphrased sentences describing information that fixes inaccurate information presented in the article.

10 points - Ethical and legal concerns

- 0 points Absent
- 5 points Incomplete discussion of ethical and legal concerns and how incorrect information can impact patient prevention, care, and treatment
- 10 points Included a thorough description of the ethical and legal concerns associated with companies or individuals publishing/posting inaccurate health information. Described how this incorrect information can impact patient prevention, care, and treatment.