Brief Study Guide for Test 31

Chapter 8: Health Care in the U.S.

- 1. What government programs were introduced around the 1960s? Who do they serve, who pays for them, are they portable?
- 2. What are the myths noted by Weitz regarding health care?
- 3. What factors have contributed to high health care costs? What is fee-for-service and what is capitation?
- 4. What is the Affordable Care Act and what does it do/cover?
- 5. What problems is the pharmaceutical industry causing for the U.S. health care system?
- 6. What was the Affordable Care Act intended to solve and how successful was it? Did it completely restructure the health care system in the U.S.?
- 7. What is the U.S. doing to get medical services into more rural and inner city areas?
- 8. What is OASDI? What does it stand for? What is it sometimes called?
- 9. What is a GMO? Why might it be dangerous?

Chapter 9: Health Care Around the World

- 1. What are the factors that contribute to a high quality health care system? Define each.
- 2. Have a basic knowledge of the health care systems covered in the text including what is covered and who pays, infant mortality rates and life expectancy. Give special attention to Canada and Germany.
- 3. How does the U.S. compare to other countries regarding its health care system?

¹ These do not cover all the questions asked but should get you focused on some of the issues of importance. Reading each chapter closely will increase your chances of obtaining a high score.