Description: This module continues to develop the concept of health care systems. Emphasis is placed on factors affecting access to health care.

Learning Outcomes:
Upon completion of this module, the student will be able to:

1. Discuss the stages of disaster
2. Discuss how local response efforts to disaster are coordinated.
3. Describe resources for areas hospitals in event of a mass casualty.
4. Explain the relationship between area hospitals and other external agencies related to disaster situations.
5. Discuss biological causes of mass casualty.
6. Discuss the phases of pandemic alert.
7. Discuss hazardous agents used in bioterrorism.
8. Discuss the first response system in local areas.
9. Describe the triage process and how emergency departments are organized.

Required Reading: Professional Issues in Nursing; chapters
   Final chapters of the Adult health Nursing

Guest Speaker: Member of the emergency preparedness team (Homeland security)

Learning Activities:

Evaluation:
Unit exams
Lab competencies
Clinical Performance Evaluation