Questions to Consider: Pre-Course Curriculum

As you review the items in the pre-course curriculum, you can use the following questions to help guide your understanding of the foundational course content. Additionally, consider these topics within the larger framework of the overall course objectives (see document):

- What are sources of waste within the US healthcare systems?
- What percentage of US healthcare comes from private sources versus public sources?
- What does Medicare Part A cover? Part B? Part C? Part D?
- How is Medicare financed?
- Who is covered under Medicaid?
- What are mandatory services covered under Medicaid?
- What are the main areas of spending for the federal government? What percentage goes towards healthcare?
- What are the steps to a bill becoming a law?
- How are premiums paid based on the type of health insurance coverage a patient has?
- Describe the key components of the ACA and discuss the major events in the design, implementation, and repeal efforts of the ACA.
- Which groups remain uninsured after the ACA?
- In which ways do traditional economic market principles not apply to healthcare economics?
- What is policy?
- What are the key components in developing policy?