**Blog Post – Health Care Affordable Care Act - Due April 23, 25 and 27**

**DUE April 23**  
(1)  You are a Supreme Court justice, and you’ve just heard arguments in the case about the individual mandate provision of the *Affordable Care Act*. Now you must write a decision in this case. Your decision should include:  
  
-      A summary of the issue in this case. (up to 5 points)  
  
-      A statement saying whether you are ruling that the individual mandate to purchase insurance is constitutional or unconstitutional. Site at least one precedent or previous Court ruling. (up to 5 points)  
  
-      At least three reasons for your decision. (up to 9 points; 3 points for each decision).    
 **DUE April 25**  
  
(2)  Respond to TWO peers (up to 10 points; 5 points each)  Response options to peers:  (1) Use evidence to support a statement. ("Most people in the U.S. believe that . . . . For example, in an opinion poll conducted this year. . . .")  
  
·      Use a probing question to elicit more information.  (" You write that. . . . Can you explain that further? I don’t understand because…")  
  
·      Summarize the discussion; summarize points of agreements and disagreement between fellow students. ("Based on your post,  it seems like you  believe that . . . "I believe…” )  
  
·      Acknowledge the statements of others. ("As \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ wrote, '. . . .', I agree because….  OR I disagree because… (give evidence/ reasons)…")  
  
·      Make a concession ("You're right, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_,  and I'm wrong! Your point about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ made me realize….”)  
  
·      A prompt of your choice as long as it acknowledges something another peer wrote and you add additional insights.  
 **DUE April 27**  
(3) Respond to my (Ms. Sharer's) questions (up to 5 points)