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Quiz #4

1. Why would Kant argue that taking away patient choice would be a violation of dignity?

- Kant would argue that taking away patient choice would be a violation of dignity, because if the patients are considered people and people are rational beings taking away their choice would be immoral and wrong. If our morality is based on the dignity of the individual and their dignity is based on their ability to choose rationally, a medical professionals' act of stewardship would violate their ability to be free rational beings and thus be wrong.

2. Why would Miller argue that taking away patient choice would be a violation of dignity?

- Miller believes that humans have an inherent unique dignity based on our ability to perform ethical behaviors through our relationship with others. Miller would argue that taking away patient choice would not be a violation of dignity, because a medical professional would think of a patient as a person and thus treat them no matter their condition with care and care is the dignifying moral responsibility towards the person thus not taking away their dignity.