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Quiz #12

1. What, for Cavalieri, is the relationship between autonomy, beneficence, nonmaleficence, fidelity, and justice in end-of-life situations?

-For Cavalieri, the relationship between autonomy, beneficence, nonmaleficence, fidelity, and justice applied to end-of-life situations is that:

- autonomy should be maintained by the start of dialogue about end-of-life care and use of advance directives so that autonomy can be preserved even if a patient's decision-making capacity is lost.
- Beneficence is when physicians do what they believe is in the patient's best interests without coming into conflict with the patient's right to self-determination.
- Nonmaleficence is the physicians view that participation in physician-assisted suicide as a violation of this principle.
- Justice is the belief that physicians should advocate for treatment of their dying patients without discrimination.
- And finally Fidelity is the belief that physicians should be truthful to their dying patients regarding the diagnosis and prognosis and advocate for their dying patients' wishes even when those patients' decision-making capacity has been lost