

Intervention and Reflection
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Multiple Choice Questions

Chapter 1:
Physicians, Patients, and Others: Roles and Responsibilities

- 1) The debate over whether parents should be required to vaccinate their children is a debate over
- a) science.
 - b) how society should approach parents who believe that there is a link between autism and vaccination.
 - c) whether to provide public education to unvaccinated children.
 - d) the separation of Church and State.

ANS: b) how society should approach parents who believe that there is a link between autism and vaccination.

- 2) The relatively light sentence that the Neumanns received when they attempted to use faith-healing indicates that
- a) faith-healing is widely accepted in America.
 - b) religion no longer is important in American life.
 - c) whether parents neglect their children for religious or non-religious reasons is taken into account in sentencing.
 - d) there is a separation of Church and State in America.

ANS: c) whether parents neglect their children for religious or non-religious reasons is taken into account in sentencing.

- 3) Every public health decision involves value judgments about
- a) health.
 - b) sickness.
 - c) freedom of choice.
 - d) all of these choices.

ANS: d) all of these choices.

- 4) Definitions of healthy and unhealthy behavior
- a) are fixed over time.
 - b) are determined by medical professionals alone.

- c) shift over time.
- d) are determined by vote.

ANS: c) shift over time.

5) Which of the following is or are an example of “state paternalism”?

- a) licensing requirements
- b) restrictions on therapies and treatments paid for by governmentally sponsored health insurances such as Medicare or Medicaid
- c) restrictions on the use of government research funds
- d) all of these choices

ANS: d) all of these choices

6) Which of the following is or are required for consent to be considered morally and legally meaningful?

- a) the individual must be competent to understand her condition and capable of exercising judgment about her care
- b) relevant and understandable information about condition and care must be provided
- c) the individual must be free to decide without coercion
- d) all of these choices

ANS: d) all of these choices

7) According to a person who endorses a paternalistic approach to medicine, a physician deceiving her patient

- a) is justified only when it is in the best interest of the patient.
- b) is never justified.
- c) is justified when it is done for the greater good of all.
- d) is justified only if the patient's family requires the physician to do so.

ANS: a) is justified only when it is in the best interest of the patient.

8) The use of placebos would be criticized by someone who believed that

- a) the doctor-patient relationship is based on paternalism.
- b) informed consent is of moral importance.
- c) doctors should only use remedies that have been shown to work.
- d) all of these choices.

ANS: b) informed consent is of moral importance.

9) Recognizing patients as autonomous agents and securing their free and autonomous consent to

their treatment is required by

- a) paternalistic concern for patient well-being.
- b) respect for their dignity.
- c) the duty of beneficence.
- d) The duty to do no harm.

ANS: b) respect for their dignity.

10) State laws that require physicians to be mandated reporters could be justified on the basis of

- a) the duty to warn.
- b) the duty to rescue.
- c) paternalism.
- d) the right to confidentiality.

ANS: c) paternalism.

11) Under what conditions did John Stuart Mill think that freedom of choice could be restricted?

- a) When doing so would cause harm to the person who was acting.
- b) When doing so would prevent harm to someone other than the person acting.
- c) Under no circumstances.
- d) When doing so would enhance social well-being.

ANS: b) When doing so would prevent harm to someone other than the person acting.

12) Since on W.D. Ross's theory everyone has a moral right to be treated as an autonomous agent, which of the following is true?

- a) Securing a person's free and informed consent to her medical treatment is required.
- b) Everyone is entitled to know the truth and to be educated in helpful ways.
- c) Everyone is entitled to medical confidentiality.
- d) All of these choices

ANS: d) All of these choices

13) The following are examples of paternalism according to Gerald Dworkin:

- a) requiring motorcyclists to wear safety helmets when operating their vehicles
- b) laws making it legal for women and children to work at certain types of jobs
- c) requiring doctors to report cases of apparent child abuse to legal authorities
- d) none of these choices

ANS: a) requiring motorcyclists to wear safety helmets when operating their vehicles

14) Psychiatrists face special ethical problems concerning

- a) the duty to rescue.
- b) the duty to do no harm.
- c) the duty to warn.
- d) the duty to lie.

ANS: c) the duty to warn.