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Ethical behavior is being the product of moral sensitivity, judgment, character and also motivation. Kidder Ethical checkpoints are important, and also they are applicable in case of the patients who are suffering from end-stage diseases. Firstly, this model addresses that there is a problem, it helps the doctors or the healthcare specialists to acknowledge, that there is a problem which exists. Then, enough amount of facts is gathered to make an effective decision on that issue. Patients who are suffering from terminal diseases and want to choose euthanasia then this model is often used for them in order to better understand the situation. Since one of my patients was suffering from cancer, and she had no hopes for survival and was in pain as well. On her last visit, she told me that she is going to Holland to end her life via euthanasia since his practice is only allowed in that country. That time I didn't know what to say, but later I wrote the following letter to her:

Dear Catherine,

I know that you are going through a lot. It is very bold of you that you are facing this disease with so much dignity, which is quite rare. When you told me that you are going to Holland to end your life, I was shocked because I thought that you would never consider this option because of your strong personality. Do you have no other option other than this? Do you know that it is not necessary that the process is painless, there are many cases where the process turned out to be quite painful for the ones who wanted to do it? Later it was also reported that they regretted their decision. I would recommend that you don't consider this option because this is also against the sanctity of like and you are giving the right to end your life to a doctor, do you really think that your life is so worthless? Life is all about miracles and science is making so many wonders even regarding end-stage diseases, so who knows that some good happen to you too. Also by choosing this option you are setting an example for other patients to end their life, this way more patients will be willingly or forcefully consider this option and that way the scientific research regarding ending such diseases will also stop because most patients will go for this, which is apparently easy.

My dear Cathrine, I know that the pain is real but don't do that, if today only some countries have legalized it, after your decision, if the number of patients choosing euthanasia will increase, more countries will legalize it and that way, it will also be like playing with God.

I hope you will consider what I suggested and think about it again.

The Kidder ethical checkpoints are significant for patients who are suffering from any kind of terminal diseases. This model is designed in such a way that it recognizes all the possible factors of any problem. This model is helpful in applying the ethical principles that are most relevant and useful to the specific issue. Once the problem is identified then proper solution is also proposed, like in this case if the patient wants to go for euthanasia then after identifying all the factors the patient will be guided accordingly (Lo & Parham, 2009). A doctor is someone who should cure the disease, not someone to kill a patient even if he/she is dying. No man should have the right to kill another person, in this way the sanctity of life will be disturbed and there are chances that other people will use this method for their personal interests. In today’s time technology has complicated the dying process (Thienpont et al., 2015). Although many aspects of medical interventions are widely welcomed, for example, now people can recover from heart attacks, and they can live for many years. But at the same time, it also has created a new phenomenon that the extension of life in a hospital under constant medical care has also reduced the consciousness and lower the quality of life. Some people who see their friends and family under such conditions choose euthanasia as an alternative and a dignified way of achieving death (Gordon, 2015). So medical facilities have also complicated the concept of death.

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