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requires	maintain	choice
valid	setting	enforced
heal	refuse	applied
grounds	selection	necessitates
honouring	decline	respecting
preserve	cure	environment
reasons	sound	

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Ethical principles in medicine

According to Beauchamp and Childress (2019), an _____ approach to medicine requires doctors to _____ the principles of autonomy, beneficence, nonmaleficence and _____. These are _____ in most clinical guidelines, but there is a strong case for making them _____.

_____, this could help with decision-making in the clinical setting. _____, a patient who is a Seventh-day Adventist may refuse to _____ to treatment, such as a life-saving blood transfusion, on religious grounds. This is difficult for a medical practitioner _____ respecting the _____ of autonomy means giving a person undergoing treatment the right to make decisions about their care. However, respecting the principle of beneficence obliges them to cure the sick person if possible. _____ of these _____ requirements, physicians can face an ethical _____. If local clinical guidelines explicitly state ethical principles for making these decisions, doctors can be more confident their decisions are ethically sound. _____, the caregiver can clearly explain the ethical grounds for decisions, which helps to preserve the patient's _____.

_____, if the principle of justice is applied in clinical guidelines, doctors find it easier to _____ their choice of treatment to patients. National guidelines on recommended drugs are not always applied _____. _____ patients may not get the most effective drug for their condition and _____ are likely to complain. If guidelines can acknowledge a wide variety of possible clinical situations and provide an ethical framework for decision-making, doctors can explain their reasoning to patients and are more likely to be able to act consistently.

_____, by clarifying the _____ ethical principles, those called upon to apply them can see inconsistencies much more easily, and decide how to act upon them.