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Paternalism in Community Health Care - A Cautionary Tale

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Paternalism in health care, occurs when a health care provider (HCP) makes decisions for an individual without their explicit consent. Overtime, paternalistic models have been replaced by models that place more emphasis on respecting patients' autonomy. However, in some situations HCPs override an individual's autonomy with the justification they are preventing unhealthy behaviours or promoting their welfare. Reflecting on the barriers and challenges that HCPs face in community health care, this session will consider a case study that highlights how paternalism can have unintended, negative outcomes.

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