

**Candace:** It's really nice to see you again, Alice. It's been a while.

**Alice:** I know, I've been really busy with Joe since he got sick last year.

**Candace:** I sometimes worry about what would happen to my family if I got sick. How would we pay all those bills?



**Alice:** I used to worry about that too, until I got health insurance. Health insurance helps protect me and my family.

**Candace:** What do you mean?

**Alice:** Most people need to get treated for an illness or injury at some point. Now if I get sick, my health insurance plan will help pay the hospital and doctor bills.



**Candace:** That sounds great! How does it work?

**Alice:** First I bought an insurance plan. Now if I get sick or hurt, the insurance company will pay part of my medical costs. Insurance will pay for my care even when it costs more than I have paid.



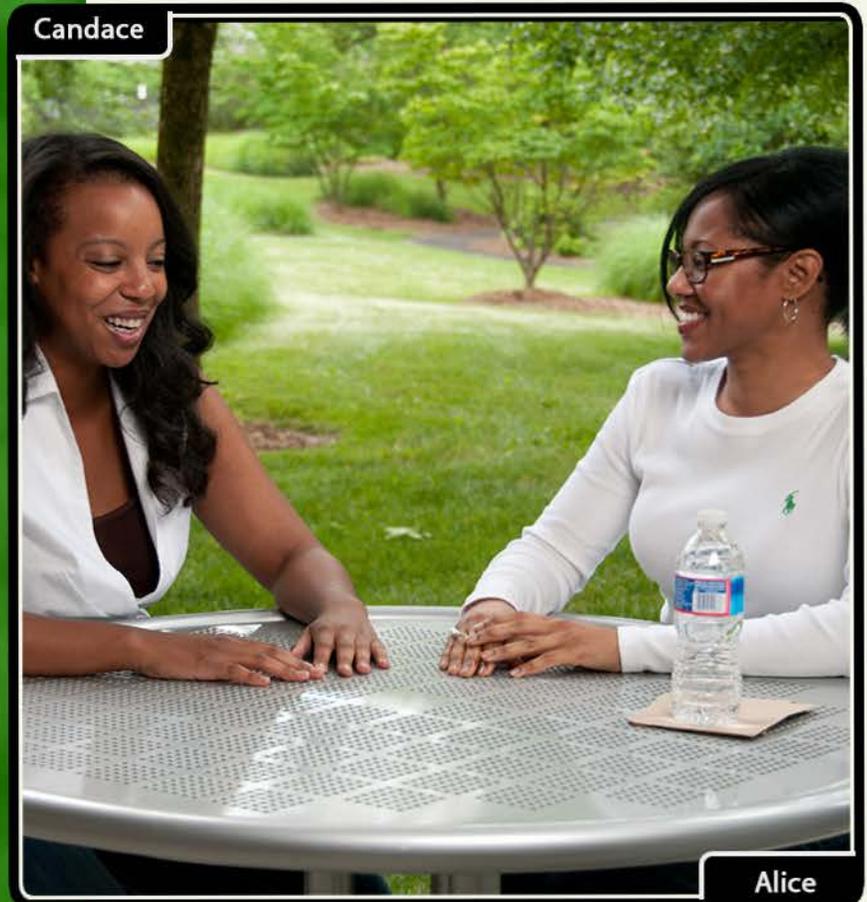
**Candace:** I'm usually pretty healthy. What if I don't have many medical emergencies?

**Alice:** You want to stay healthy, don't you? Health insurance helps pay for preventive care like checkups and shots. It's important to get preventive care so you and your family can stay healthy.



**Alice:** I do want to protect my family. I think I will get health insurance. Thanks.

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