Visiting the Clinic



Warm-Up Conversational Questions

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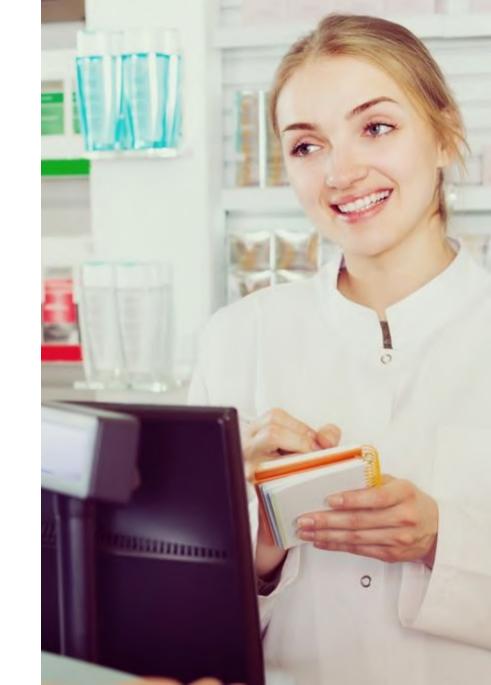
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Something taken to treat or cure illness.

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Insurance

A financial arrangement that provides coverage for medical expenses.

How does health insurance work in your country?

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Why is having health insurance important?

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What types of treatments have you undergone in the past?

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How do you decide on a treatment plan with your doctor?

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Why is following a prescribed treatment important for recovery?

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Waiting Room

An area in a clinic where patients wait for their appointments.

How do you feel while waiting in a clinic's waiting room?

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Have you ever had a memorable experience in a waiting room?

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A recommendation by a doctor for a patient to see another healthcare professional.

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A specific amount a patient pays for a covered medical service.

How does the copayment system work in your healthcare system?

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2 Have you ever faced challenges with copayments?

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Why do some medical services require copayments?

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Emergency

A sudden, serious, and often dangerous situation requiring immediate action.

What do you consider a medical emergency?

Sub Vocab: medical emergency

Have you ever been in a medical emergency situation?

Sub-vocabulary: respond, situation

Why is knowing how to respond to a medical emergency important?

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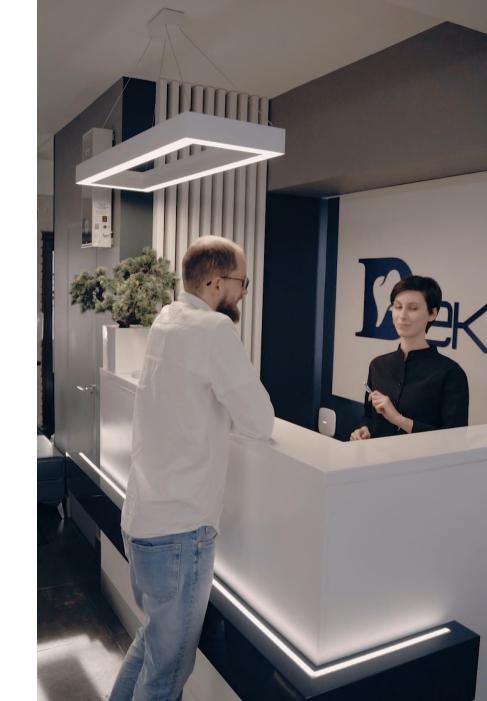
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X-ray

A medical test that uses radiation to create images of the inside of the body.

Have you ever had an X-ray? Why?

Sub Vocab: had an X-ray, why

How do doctors use X-rays in diagnosis and treatment?

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3 c. Why do you think X-rays are important in medicine?

Sub-vocabulary: important, medicine



Discharge

The formal release of a patient from a hospital or clinic.

How do you feel when you're discharged from a clinic or hospital?

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2 Have you ever had a positive or negative discharge experience?

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A subsequent appointment or communication to assess progress after treatment.

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