Pre-Reading Discussion: Do you have to make appointments to see your health professionals? What do you do if you can't make your appointment?

Reading Passage Section 7: Making and Keeping an Appointment

To make good health decisions, you need to know how to make and keep an **appointment** with a health professional.

If you want to see a health professional, you might have to make an appointment. When you have an appointment, the health professional knows you are coming and will have time to see you. If you can't keep your appointment, then you should call right away. Health professionals want to know if you are not coming in.



Sometimes you don't have to make an appointment. Some clinics let patients walk in and wait to see the health professional who is in the clinic that day.