

**Safe, Smart and Healthy – Keys to Success in Your New Home**  
**Medical Care and Health Insurance - 3**

**ENGLISH**

When you see a doctor, you have the right to have a professional **interpreter**. This language expert interprets everything you say, and everything the doctors and nurses say, so that you understand each other perfectly.

Providing an interpreter is the responsibility of the doctor or hospital. Requesting an interpreter will *not* cost you any extra money.

Mrs. Li's doctor provided an interpreter when they met for her daughter's checkup. The interpreter helped Mrs. Li understand exactly what she needed to do to help her daughter stay healthy.

Do not use your own family or friends as interpreters; this needs to be done by a trained professional.

You cannot use any *children* as interpreters.

When scheduling an appointment with any new doctor, be sure to let them know that you need an interpreter in your language.