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N202 Unit VI Part 2

Class Preparation Assignment – Community Health Case Study

**Maria's Story**

Maria is a 32-year-old immigrant woman who recently moved to your community with her two young children. She is a single mother who works part-time at a local restaurant and struggles to make ends meet. Maria does not speak English fluently and often finds it difficult to navigate healthcare services. She has been experiencing symptoms of depression, including persistent sadness and trouble sleeping. Maria also shares that she has trouble affording healthy food and has not been able to see a doctor for a check-up in over a year. Her children are often sick, and she is concerned about their health but doesn't know where to turn for help.

**Questions:**

1. What are Maria's current healthcare needs?

- MH needs = depression
- dietary
- PCP
- pediatric PCP

2. Describe two barriers to healthcare that Maria is encountering and how they may impact her.

1. language barrier - finding it difficult to navigate healthcare services. She may not know what is included in different healthcare programs.
  2. low income - struggling to make ends meet, can add stress + fear, healthcare can be expensive so people go untreated.
3. As a nurse in the community, identify at least one intervention you would recommend to address Maria's situation?

Language Interpreter

Refer Maria to resources like "La Red" to help with cost/appointments.

4. How would you ensure that you are providing culturally competent nursing care to Maria and her family?

understanding their cultural beliefs + being non-judgmental