When You Need to Get an Education

Chrystal S. - Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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That’s Medicaid shares stories of people covered by Medicaid at critical points in their lives, underscoring the importance of stable health insurance coverage in building a Culture of Health.

Wisconsin’s Medicaid program was Chrystal’s only option for health coverage when she was a full-time student in Milwaukee.

But she was almost denied it when her scholarships and education grants were counted as income. Without Medicaid Chrystal would have been unable to afford the inhaler she needed to protect her from asthma attacks and medical appointments for her general well-being.

Now a college graduate with a job that provides benefits, Chrystal is no longer on Medicaid and believes the program was a great help to her when she needed it and gave her a sense of how to maintain good personal budgeting practices.

“I knew I couldn’t get coverage on my own when I was a student,” Chrystal says. “Medicaid was really beneficial for me because I knew that I would have medical coverage and that I didn’t have to worry about it interfering with my school expenses.”