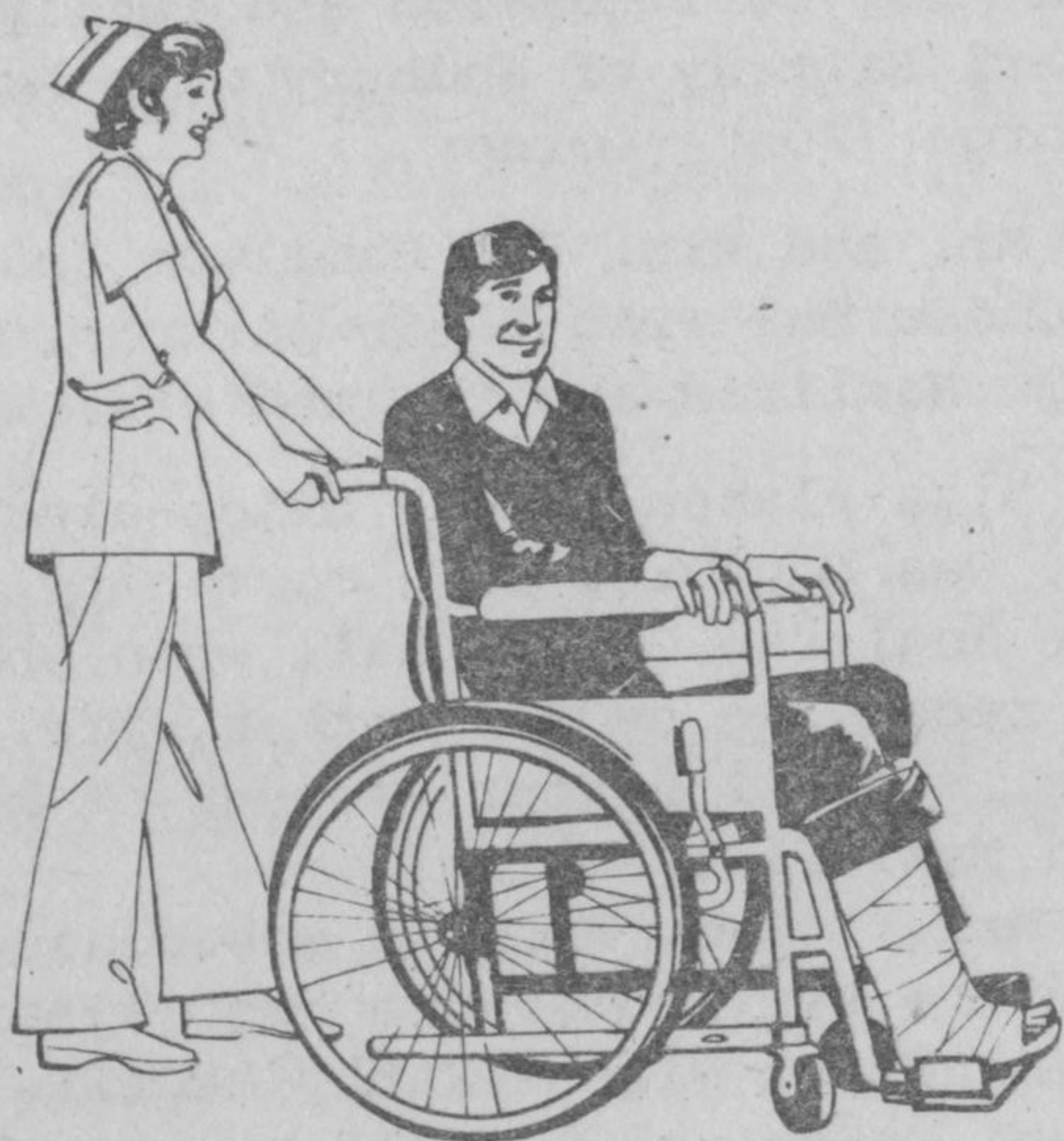


Your family's health is your most important possession.

This is what Ontario is doing to help you protect it.



Most of us get sick or have an accident at one time or another. And left to our own resources, serious illness could often cripple us financially.

So the government here in Ontario has developed a plan to provide health care for everybody, any time it's needed.

That plan is called Ontario Health Insurance Plan — OHIP. (The "H" stands for "Health," not "Hospital.") The Plan is administered by your Ontario government for us, the people of the province, who pay into it regularly so we can benefit when we need it.

How does the Ontario Health Insurance Plan work? Like this:

First, you apply for coverage — on a "Group" basis where you work, or you can pick up an application form at any bank, hospital, or OHIP district office.

Next, you'll pay modest premiums to

cover yourself and your family towards the time when health care is needed.

People on welfare, students, and others whose incomes fall below a certain level, are eligible for assistance in paying their OHIP premiums. No one is excluded for lack of money, but you must apply for such premium assistance.

Benefits include: physicians' services • standard ward hospital accommodation • X-rays • laboratory tests • drugs required in hospital • operating and delivery rooms • radiotherapy • chiropractic, osteopathic, and chiropract services • eye examinations • occupational therapy • physiotherapy • speech therapy • nursing and medical care in nursing homes and homes for the aged • Home Care service • ambulance • certain dental surgery. Payments may cover costs entirely or only in part, depending on the nature of the claim.

But remember: Membership in the Ontario Health Insurance Plan is not automatic — you have to apply for it. And be sure to carry your identification card or OHIP number at all times.

If you would like more information, visit any OHIP district office. Or write to:

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