

PBL: Scene 2

Emily goes to the Student Health Center right after her Biology class and meets with Dr. Delman. The nurse takes her vital signs while she waits for the doctor. Dr. Delman comes in and asks her how she's doing and what the problem is. Emily shows him the mole she is concerned about. The doctor tells her that it is good that she came in as soon as she suspected something was wrong. He tells her that he will need to biopsy the mole to determine the exact problem. Emily asks him what the problem could be and he tells her that it could be anything ranging from a benign tumor to a malignant cancer. Emily discusses with Dr. Delman about the chances of the mole being cancerous. She does not understand why she should be at risk for skin cancer; after all, she is only nineteen. The doctor discusses various risk factors with her and tells her she should read up on this. Emily tells him that her biology professor, Dr. Orloff was discussing cell division with them in class, and she knows that cancer arises from uncontrolled division of cells. Dr. Delman smiles and tells her that she is right and tells her that she should stay calm and learn more about the disease. He gives her half a dozen pamphlets on cancer and tells her to see his assistant to make an appointment before she leaves.

