

Script: The Office – Health Care Episode

Jan: So which health plan have you decided on?

Michael: I am going to go with best, Jan. I am going to go with the one with the acupuncture, therapeutic massage - You know, the works.

Jan: Wait acupuncture? None of the plans have acupuncture. Have you looked at them closely Michael?

Michael: I think it was you who didn't look closely enough at the "gold plan".

Jan: The gold plan?

Michael: Yep.

Jan: I'm not even on that plan.

Michael: Well I recommend it, it's very good. You have to crack this things open.

Jan: You know the whole reason we're doing this, is to save money. So, you just need to pick a provider, and then choose the cheapest plan.

Michael: Well that is kind of a tough assignment. It's not gonna be a popular decision around the old orifice (office – he is using strange pronunciation for humor).

Jan: It's your job so...

Michael: Well, it's a suicide mission, you know... - There there...

Jan: Michael, maybe, I, I mean - I, I Know - You know sometimes a manager like yourself, has to deliver the bad news to the employees, I do it all the time.

Michael: Oh yeah, when have you ever done that?

Jan: I'm doing it, right now. To you.

Michael: Jimbo! Ha, ha... Come on. There's a decision that needs to be made. And I'm having a unbelievably busy day. So, I'm going to let you pick a healthcare plan for our office, and then explain it to your co-workers.

Jim: Gosh! That is a great offer. Thank you. I really think I should be concentrating on sales.

Michael: Really?

Jim: Yeah. I just don't thing that this is the kind of task, that I am going to do. You know who would be great for this?

Dwight: Yes! I can do it! I'm your man. Ok first, let's go over some parameters, how many people can I fire?

Michael: Ah, none. you're picking a healthcare plan.

Dwight: Ok we'll table that for the time being. Two, I'm gonna need an office. I think the conference room should be fine.

Michael: You can use the conference room as a temporary workspace.

Dwight: Yes, I have an office. Bigger than his'!

Michael: Nope, you cannot use it.

Dwight: Ok I take it back it's a workspace.

Michael: Temporary workspace, you can use it.

Dwight: Thank you.... What did I do? I did my job. I slashed benefits to the bone. I saved this company money. Was I too harsh? Maybe. I don't believe in coddling people. In the wild, there is no healthcare. In the wild healthcare is "Ow, I hurt my leg. I can't run. A lion eats me, and I'm dead." Well, I'm not dead. I'm the lion. You're dead!

Roger: There's no dental, there's no vision, there is a 1200 dollars deductible.

Pam: Dundler Mifflin this is Pam.

Michael: Pam, Michael Scott, how's tricks?

Pam: Where are you?

Michael: Oh, I'm in my office, I am swamped. I have work up to my ears. I'm busy, busy, busy. Busy, can't step away. I just wanted to check in and see how everybody's doing. Everybody cool out there?

Pam: Actually, people are really unhappy. Dwight send around this memo and people are freaking out because the.

Michael: Oh Pam, you know, whoa, whoa, whoa! I'm sorry I'm sorry I've got to go I'm getting a call.

Pam: No you're not.

Michael: I have to make a call after I finish, my work. You know what? Um, just don't let anybody in my office under any conditions today. I'm just too busy, too swamped, you know? I'm unreachable. I'm incommunicado, capisce?

Pam: Ok.

Michael: Thank you. Oh, God here we go again, got to go, I have to take this...

Pam: Still no one calling.