Interview with a First Generation Female Columbian Immigrant

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Life in Chapters

What should I do?

Trip to America

Working as a nurse

Learning English

Family helped her immigrate

“How I gonna get this English in my head”

Getting my license

Receives LVN

Becomes involved with people from church

Passing RN test

Applying for jobs in America

Working in America

On the side

Active in church

Learning American holidays

Missing family

Childhood

Close family

Difficulties getting Visas for family visits

Feeling discrimination

Okay I am here now what

Returning back to school

Impact of her immigration on family

What her life would be like at home

Assimilating into America

Diversity in America

Being an American (Identity)

Why she became a nurse

Immigrating to Mexico for nursing school

Community involvement

Identity would be different at home

Identity formed by childhood influences

Challenges socializing in America

Not giving up and faith made her successful

Advice to future immigrants