A Tale of Two Models Regarding One's Approach to Health

Disease-Care Model Health-Care Model Turn over your healthcare responsibility Assume responsibility for your well-being to your doctor as your own health advocate Only act after-the-fact when symptoms worsen or become more prevalent or too uncomfortable, Take pre-emptive action to preserve your health or after receiving a disease diagnosis View symptoms as an inconvenience, resulting Interpret symptoms as a valuable message from a flawed, poorly designed body from your intelligent body Ignore or seek to cover up symptoms Investigate causes of signs and symptoms, (prescription, over-the-counter, or asking "what is my body trying to tell me?" recreational drugs) Invest in protecting your health, allocating funds Pay willingly for disease-management care, for periodic whole-body assessment but only after an emergency or crisis occurs and supplement programs Depend on health insurance to pay Seek that which will provide for inevitable disease-care greater health assurance

Conventional. "Reactive"

Intelligent SelfCare, "Proactive"