SAVE ME

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INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

TALIA sits on couch, aggressive pounding on buttons of controller, shouts random phrases at television with headphones in.

AVA enters room annoyed.

AVA

Stop shouting at the TV, it's so annoying. Why can't you be normal?

Talia pounds away at the buttons, ignores Ava.

AVA (CONT'D)

You hear me Talia?

Ava looks at Talia.

Talia is slumped over breathing heavy.

AVA (CONT'D)

Stop playing T! It's not funny!

Ava approaches Talia, examines her face.

Talia heavy breathing.

TALIA

Inhaler (gasping) please.

Ava panics scrambles, searches for inhaler.

Talia becomes worse.

AVA

Where is it? (Panic)

Talia drops controller, grabs chest, points to office.

Ava dashes to office.

CUT TO:

INT. OFFICE - DAY

Ava searches for inhaler, moves pillows and cushions on couch.

AVA

I can't find it!

Ava locates inhaler on table.

CUT TO:

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

Ava shakes inhaler, places it to Talia's mouth administers two puffs.

AWA

Come on, please work. (pleas)

Talia breaths become steady.

AVA (CONT'D)

Breathe T.

Ava rubs circles on Talia's back, grabs water bottle off table hands it to Talia.

AVA (CONT'D)

Take a drink. Can you breathe better?

TALIA

Yes. Thank you Ava. (whispers)

AVA

I'm gonna call mom and dad. Let them know what happened.

Eva enters office, calls parents.

Phone rings.

Voicemail picks up.

Ava leaves message.

AVA (CONT'D)

Mom, it's Ava, T had another attack. Call me, please. I'm scared.

Ava turns facing Talia.

Talia grabs Ava's arm, grabbing, while she holds her throat.

TALIA

Ava, help. (struggles to speak)

Ava calls 911.

Phone rings.

Ava paces the floor near Talia.

EMERGENCY OPERATOR (V.O.)

911 Whats your emergency?

AVA

My sister, she - she can't breathe. I'm scared. Please help.

Ava continues pacing.

EMERGENCY OPERATOR (V.O.)

It's gonna be alright. Can you tell me your address? Is she breathing?

AVA

I-I don't know. (confused)

EMERGENCY OPERATOR (V.O.)

It's alright. Help's on the way. Can you see her chest moving, or hear her breath?

Ava leans over Talia listens to breathing.

AVA

Yes, barely. She is becoming pale.

Ava grabs pillow off couch, places it under Talia's head, brushes hair from Talia's face.

AVA (CONT'D)

It's going to be alright.
(concerned, whisper)

EMERGENCY OPERATOR (V.O.)

Can you tell me your age?

AVA

She's twelve and I'm fourteen. Are they almost here? I don't want my sister to die. EMERGENCY OPERATOR (V.O.)

We're not going to let that happen.

AVA

Please hurry.

Ava checks on Talia.

EMERGENCY OPERATOR (V.O.)

Does she have and inhaler? Are your parents there?

AVA

No they went to the store. I gave her two puffs then, she...

EMERGENCY OPERATOR (V.O.)

.. are you close to a sink or tub?

AVA

The bathroom its close by.

EMERGENCY OPERATOR (V.O.)

Can you help her to the shower or tub?

AVA

I can try.

Ava helps Talia up off floor, stumbles into bathroom

EMERGENCY OPERATOR

Turn the hot water on and have her breathe it in.

INT. BATHROOM - DAY

Ava turns on water, helps Talia lean into steam.

Talia struggles to breathe.

EMERGENCY OPERATOR (V.O.)

How is she? Help is close by.

AVA

She's trying to breath. Help us! Please.

Ava slaps Talia on the back.

Talia begins coughing.

EMERGENCY OPERATOR (V.O.)

Can you hear them.

AVA

(Sobbing) She's getting worse.

EMERGENCY OPERATOR

Make sure she is taking deep breaths of steam. Place a towel over her head to contain the steam around her head.

AVA

She is, but she's breathing slowly. (vaguely crying) Please...

Heard in Back-ground

I need an ETA on the paramedics. We have a young female, possible asthma attack. She is having trouble breathing. Older sibling is assisting, parents are not home."

Sirens

FADE TO BLACK.

EXT. PARK - DUSK

Ava and Talia walk together hand in hand, while giggling.

TALIA

I love you, Ava. You saved my life that night.

AVA

I was so scared you were going to die.

TALIA

I didn't thanks to you.

Ava and Talia hug.

END