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"A Vaccine for Hope: My Dream to Defeat HIV/AIDS"

"Hey there! My name is OrllahTumara Gabriella Joe-Ebigwai, and I'm 12 years old. Ever since I was 8, I've known that I want to be a medical doctor when I grow up. I love helping people and making them feel better. But there's something that makes me really sad - HIV/AIDS. So many people, both old and young, have lost their lives to this terrible disease. My dad even lost his cousin, friends, and even colleagues to HIV/AIDS. It's so unfair! I don't like it when people die, it makes their families sad.

If I could invent something new, it would be an anti-HIV/AIDS vaccine. I know it sounds like a big dream, but I believe that a vaccine could help prevent HIV/AIDS from spreading. Just like how vaccines protect us from other diseases, an anti-HIV/AIDS vaccine could be a game-changer.

I've done some research, and I know that HIV/AIDS is a major problem worldwide. It's a leading cause of death, and it's so frustrating because it's often preventable. With an anti-HIV/AIDS vaccine, we could save so many lives. Imagine a world where people don't have to worry about HIV/AIDS anymore. Where they can live healthy lives without the fear of this deadly disease. That's the world I want to create.

I know it's a big goal, but I'm determined to make it happen. With the help of my parents, I've already started learning as much as I can about HIV/AIDS and how it works. My dad has even taken me to the hospital to see how doctors and nurses help patients with HIV/AIDS. I've also learned that HIV/AIDS is not just a health issue, but also a social issue. People with HIV/AIDS often face discrimination and stigma, which can make it harder for them to get the help they need.

If I win this competition, it would be amazing! It would help me get closer to making my dream a reality. I would use the prize money to create public awareness and advocate against people treating HIV/AIDS patients badly and also support doctors who are going to work on anti-HIV/AIDS vaccine production. I would also like to form a support group for people living with HIV/AIDS, where they can share their experiences and receive support from others who understand what they're going through.

Additionally, I would like to use my platform to educate people on how HIV/AIDS is transmitted and how it can be prevented. I believe that education is key to preventing the

spread of HIV/AIDS. By educating people on the risks and consequences of HIV/AIDS, we can empower them to make informed decisions about their health.

Let's do this! Let's fight against HIV/AIDS together! We can make a difference, one step at a time. Thank you for listening, and I hope you'll support me on this journey.