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My passion for healthcare came from being the eldest of nine children and three of them being diagnosed with Sickle cell disease, a blood disorder that affects the red blood cells that carry oxygen throughout the body. My siblings were in and out of the hospital quite a lot when they were younger and that is where my inspiration for wanting to be in the healthcare field developed. There were many times where I had to help translate for my mother, read prescription medications, and teach my mom how to provide it to my siblings when I was not around. Hospital stays and interactions with different nurses and doctors grew my interest in wanting to be someone special to other kids like the nurses and doctors were to my siblings. They changed my mother's perspective on doctors and healthcare because as they went to the doctor monthly, even biweekly, she started to see positive changes in their lives. I was thankful to everyone who helped my siblings, and I wanted to do the same thing for someone else one day."