

Nicole's Story

Forced to Give Up a Dream: Fighting for Health, Rather than Her Country

As a teenager, I started noticing that something was wrong. I was experiencing unusual symptoms, and could no longer do the things I wanted to do. My mom initially thought it was just me being an overactive kid. Then I was diagnosed.

Getting a diagnosis such as mine at a young age can be scary. My disease caused me to start missing school. That was a rough time for me, when it was hard to look to the future. I just hoped it would all go away.

My mindset shifted a few years later as I started realizing how serious my condition was and what I could do to take care of myself and my health. I could choose to be positive, despite my disease.

Before treatment, my activities were limited. I'd always wanted to run track and had dreams to join the military, yet couldn't do either. I struggled being in and out of the hospital, and relied on teachers to tutor me at home.

With the help of doctors and family my treatment plan worked and enabled me to get back to the activities I enjoy most. I now see a future for myself and am excited at what tomorrow can bring.

Thank you to the people at companies like Mallinckrodt for making medicines that make a difference in my life.

- Nicole M.

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Nicole M., actual patient