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When I was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes, I was worried about what I would face, but I knew that I wouldn't let it change my life. I live in a country in which people tend to be afraid of something they don't know, so a person with diabetes can be targeted. I knew I wouldn't let anyone think differently of me, so I didn't let myself be marginalized. By engaging with diabetes and regulating my control I learned how to be responsible and caring. I feel proud of myself for all the things I have accomplished through diabetes. This is why I want to be an advocate because I want to eliminate the lack of knowledge on diabetes and give hope and strength to all new people being diagnosed with diabetes.

