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**Personal Information:**

Sitara was born in New York and has moved to various locations within the United States throughout her childhood. As avid travelers, she and her family have enjoyed visiting countries in Europe, Africa, Asia, and South America. Exposed to the large-scaled health disparities that existed in each of these locations, Sitara grew interested in pursuing a career that helped serve disadvantaged communities. As a result, she gathered donations, raised funds, and led medical brigades to various underserved communities within Honduras during the course of her undergraduate career. She has also been involved with several organizations such as Drexel University College of Medicine's American Medical Association, Health Outreach Program, and Advocacy Club. As a volunteer, tutor, and student, she continues to learn more about the populations she serves and aims to continue being a catalyst for positive change for them. In the future, Sitara envisions herself practicing medicine in low-income communities while also initiating projects that revolve around service, global education, and health equity.

**Education:**

Sitara holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Biological Sciences from Drexel University in Philadelphia, PA. She is currently pursuing a career in medicine and attends Drexel University College of Medicine. Outside of school, Sitara pursues her passion in research and performs clinical research at the University of Pennsylvania.