

# ILLUMINATING THE INVISIBLE

HCR 4: PROCLAMING MAY AS  
MYOSITIS AWARENESS MONTH



# ABOUT JUVENILE MYOSITIS

- Rare, chronic autoimmune disease
- Causes the immune system to attack healthy muscle and skin cells
- Effects about 1 in 500,000 children

Hi, I'm Addi



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I have JDM

- ♥ 52 IV INFUSIONS
- ♥ ADMITTED ONCE
- ♥ 35 VISITS TO SEATTLE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
- ♥ 1 VISIT TO GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL
- ♥ 30+ BLOOD DRAWS
- ♥ 2 SEDATED MRI'S
- ♥ 2 SWALLOW STUDIES

10 DIFFERENT MEDICATIONS





# FINDING COMMUNITY AND BRINGING AWARENESS TO JM

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# THANK YOU

