

FGM/C AFFECTS EVERYONE.

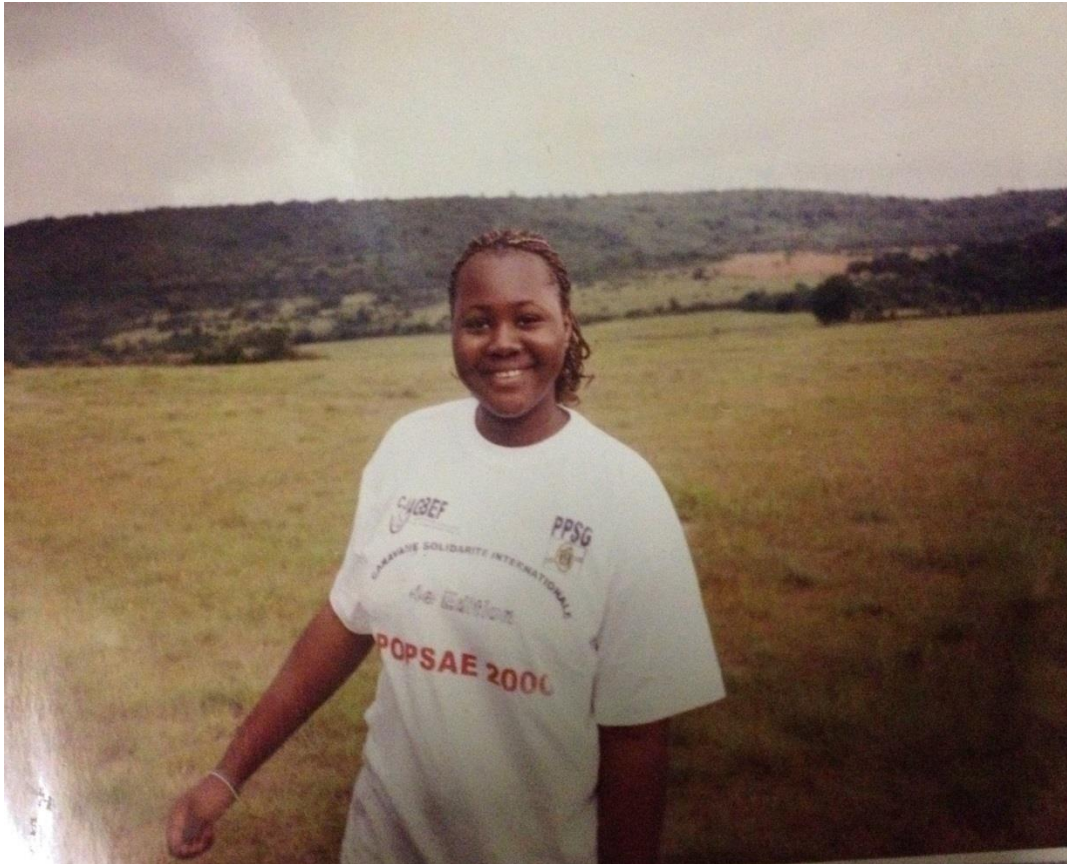
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My Story: Understanding FGM/C



- Underwent FGM/C in Guinea
- family and community members pressure parents
- Growing up as a survivor in the U.S. was lonely
- FGM/C is not external to the U.S.



"FGM/C changes your relationship with your body. It changes your relationships with people. FGM/C will continue as long as we keep it a secret."

**- Aissata M.B. Camara,
Co-Founder and Executive
Vice President of There Is No
Limit Foundation**

About There Is No Limit Foundation

We believe every individual has a right to live in security and dignity.

- Working in Guinea and Cote D'Ivoire
- Focused on entrepreneurship, education, WASH, health and ending harmful practices (i.e. FGM/C)
- Empowered 20,800 since 2008
- “For the community by the community” service delivery model



There Is No Limit Foundation's Mission:

To empower individuals and families in the poorest communities to reach their fullest potential and enhanced sense of dignity through economic opportunities and the eradication of barriers including poverty, inequality, and violence.

Ending FGM/C “Back Home”

Youth are key to ending FGM/C.



- Strategies must leverage local relationships
- Focus needs to be on education not punishment
- Youths want to end FGM/C- they lack support
- Art is a powerful tool in the fight to end FGM/C

Ending FGM/C In The U.S.

Respect is critical to ending FGM/C.

- Talk about the FGM/C in a respectful manner
- Schools need to incorporate FGM/C in health curriculums
- Support survivors and families who are standing against the practice
- Fund FGM/C programs

**EMPOWERMENT
BEGINS WHEN
FGM/C ENDS.**



A close-up photograph of a young girl's face, focusing on her eyes and forehead. She has dark skin and dark hair. Her eyes are wide and looking directly at the camera. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

WHAT IS HER FUTURE?



**"I am uncircumcised
and I am proud of it.
I want other girls to
say the same."**

-Hawa Sakho, 13 years old.