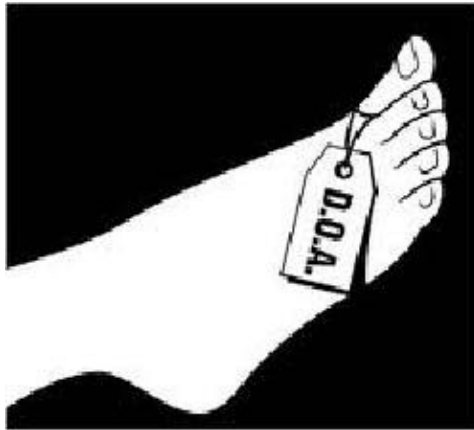


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" Sure Olivia"

" Thanks Jermey Iwill see you after work It's 5am"

" Before You head out the door olivia come here a second"

Jermey Pulled me into his arms to plant a kiss on myartificially colored pinklips

"Sweetie Jermey it's time for me to head to the office"

Iwalked out the door scraped the snow off my windshield wipers, i opened the door to my gray acura

I sat in my black leather seat my whole body felt a chill consume my shoulders and travel down my spine

I shut the heavy door closed

I put the keys in the Ignition,As Ipulled out of the driveway with the purple sky behind me

I saw Jermey come out of the front door in his black leather coat with his black hair geled and his chubby figure walk slowly to his red bmw.

## Chapter 2: Part 2

### Part 2

It was seven o'clock as I pulled in drive way from my long day at the office, my neck ached from sitting at my computer all day typing reports.

I saw Jermeys red bmw as I walked to the front door of the house , I turned the handle on the door I stepped inside my nose took in the smell of steamed vegetables.

" Honey the christmas party is coming up for the hospital, my coworkers requested today that you make the same thing you did last year for the party" Jermey said from the kitchen

" Thanks"

I took off my high heels and felt my feet throb from the blisters

I walked slowly to the kitchen, I pulled out a chair and sat down

Jermey brought my plate to the table filled with shrimp and steamed vegetables

" Thanks"

"No Problem"

Jermey Placed his plate on the table, his large hands picked up a dark wine bottle and he poured a white gold liquid into to wine glasses.

He placed a clear glass with white liquid in front of me, Jermey took his wine glass and placed it in front of me.

Jermey and I began eating and my mouth salivated as i ate shrimp and sipped wine.

After dinner, I began making a grocery list of ingredients and items for Jermeys christmas party at the hospital since it was in a few days.

" Honey Did We Get everything?" Jermey said as he looked into the green grocery cart

" Yeah"

We Put the groceries on the black belt as the cashier rung each item up

" \$130.00 is the total mam" the cashier said in a way that makes you know that there life is meaningless and that the greatest achivement ever in there life is to be promoted to store manager.

I handed the cashier my gold credit card with the ugly maroon writing on it, she swiped it and gave it back to me.

we put all the groceries in the trunk and drove home.

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I pulled out my recipe book and placed it on the counter with excitement because I loved to cook

"Olivia I have to run to the hospital for a few hours every patient is coming into the emergency room with odd symptoms and it's my job to figure out what is the cause "

" Okay doctor Jerney doctor of unknown diseases" I said to Jerney As I kissed him before he ran out the door

I went back to the kitchen and washed my hands under warm water I turned off the faucet I dried my hands on a towel that was orange with a big yellow leaf on it.

I took out of the refrigerator the turkey, The Cranberries, greenbeans, carrots, squash, greenpeppers, sweet potatoes, onions and fruit.

I washed the turkey first disgusted by meat as it is I turned off the faucet and I gagged as I pulled out the gizzards, I placed the turkey in the pan and I placed the pan in the oven as I closed the oven I was so disgusted because I am a vegetarian.

I turned on the faucet and washed my hands under the warm water I turned off the faucet, I opened a cabinet and pulled out a crum mixture in a bag that I had made, I placed the bag on the counter and I took out a pan and placed it on a burner on the stove.

I chopped up peppers and onions and I placed The chopped up onions and put them in the pan and I added my homemade bread crum mixture.

I cooked the ingredients in the pan in a half hour, I placed the finished cooked ingredients in a bag in the refrigerator.

I poured myself a Glass of white wine, I sipped on it as I cooked the other ingredients I finished up my cooking and the turkey was cooking in the oven, I poured myself another glass of white wine and didn't exactly sip on this wine, I felt floaty as I put my glass on the counter by the sink. I managed to get to the couch and I passed out.

## Chapter 3

### Part 3

I woke up the next morning on the couch, I had a headache I saw Jermey come out of the bedroom.

" How was your shift last night at the hospital?"

" treated lots of coughing, stomache, common colds, the real odd symptom that i wrestled with all night was flucating fevers, my team is resarching on the fevers as the patients come in we are gonna have a variable graft to record the data." Jermey said as wewalked toward the couch.

I sat up and scotted over on the couch to make room for Jermey, I picked up the black tv controler with the yellow and green buttons on itI pressed the blue power button, Ourblack flat screen samsung tv came to life, I flipped through the channels,I put on the style network and watched a show about business fashion and business makeup. I watched the program on tv while Jermey got up and cheeked on the turkey. I finshed watching the show about business fashion in the office and I got up off the couch and cooked for ten hours straight. I put all the cooked items for the chirstmas party in there containers it was sunday and the chirstmas party was on monday. Jermey got called back into work just as I was brushing my long blonde hair out before my shower. Jermey left as I turned on the water for my shower. I took a quick shower and got into my pajamas the phone rang it was jermey.

"Hello we have gathered data from the fevers and it looks like this isn't the common cold"  
Jermey said

"What is it? "

" my team of doctors believe it is just the flu just a new kind of flu there looking into it' Jermey said on the phone

" Thanks for telling me Jermey, are there any precautions I should take or anyone at my office for this flu?"

" no"

" ok please keep me posted i love you"

" I love you to olivia goodbye"

I hung up the phone and the house had a chill i walked up to the thermostate and turned on the heat, I grabbed the afgan brown throw on the couch and wrapped it around my shoulders, I went into the bedroom and I sat on the bed and layed down on top of the covers and warmed my body warmed up on this chilling evening, I drifted off to sleep.

" welcome to the party everyone here at Jessica James hospital " Jessica James said from the brown Podemum with the sliver microphone curling up from the bottom like a snake. Jessica James had her brunette hair done up into an updo, Her body frame was Perfectly toned and thin her bright orange long dress with the sparkles on the top was goregous it captivated her figure beautifully. Jessica James took a drink of water from a small clear glass she set the glass down gracefully. Her Beautiful brown auburn eyes looked out to the audience.

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" my journey began in college were I gained a nursing degree, A Medical doctor Degree, A Degree in sports medicine and gained a doctorate degree In Physical Therapy a final doctorate degree in occupational therapy. I opened up a small medical clinic, this allowed me to gain new staff members that had doctorates in psychology, Neurology, Cardiology and other body systems. This allowed us all a few years to get experience and gain patients. I closed the small clinic, I bought the building we are standing in now and turned it into Jessica James Hospital. It became a successful hospital with great specialists and great patient care and great patient accommodations. I'm proud of my hospital I am proud to be head of the whole hospital thanks everyone." The applause echoed in sync.

Christmas music came on and echoed in the hospital auditorium, Everyone had plates of my food after they were done eating everyone came up to me to say ...

" Olivia your cooking is amazing"

" Olivia your meal was the best for the event!"

I replied " Thanks" To a group, I felt gratified inside and was smiling ear to ear

The groups of people just kept coming to say their thanks

I gathered the dishes for Olivia and wrapped what food was left to be taken home

I walked up to Olivia with my arms doing a balancing act to hold all the dishes

" Honey Olivia it's time to go"

" do you want my help Jeremy?"

" No"

Olivia and I both felt a cold wind sweep and wrap around us as we headed to the parking garage, Olivia and I walked up to my red BMW. Olivia opened the passenger door for me and I sat down and Olivia closed the passenger door she walked around the car with her arms wrapped around her and she rubbed both arms, Olivia sat in the passenger seat and shivered and closed her fists of her blue leather gloved hands. Olivia put the keys in the ignition we drove out of the hospital parking garage and headed home.

## Chapter 4: Emily

I walked down the cold long hallway with the smell of alcohol and the sound of beeping machines, I hugged my white lapcoat around my body. I walked to room 208 with the sign on the door that stated to wear a mask before entering the room, along with having latex gloves on before entering. I pulled the latex gloves out of my pocket and carefully pulled each one on each hand, I took the mask out of my other pocket, hooked the white straps behind my ears and pulled the mask onto my nose, I pulled the mask down so my face was completely covered. I opened the door to the patients room I walked to the second bed that was closet to the window.

" Hey I am doctor Jermey, emily i am here to take a look and ask some questions"

The little girl with the brown pigtails and big blue eyes and a nose that was perfectly rounded at the end looked up from the hospital bed and said " ok"

"Before I examine you your mother already confirmed that it was ok for me to examine you"

I walked up to emily , " can you please open your mouth for me?"

Emily opened her mouth i put two gloved fingers inside her mouth and felt her bottom lip, I discovered two bumps on her lips that had pus oozing out, i had emily lift her tough up i felt with both sides of her tough with my gloved hand. I changed my pair of gloves. I had newlatex gloves on.

" NurseAmanda can you please get emily in the right postion for the stomach examine"

" Sure"

Amanda postioned emily so that her legs were in stirups, emily's legs were covered with her mickey mouse blanket.

" Doc I don't feel so good "i heard emily's six year old voice say, Amanda was at emily 's bedside holding a bedpan as emily vomitted up and into the bed pan a mixture oflumpy orange and yellowbile.

I felt a tap on the back of my shoulder, I turned around

" Hi I am carol emilys mom, doc do you know what is wrong and what emily has?"

" I am not sure, we thought we had the common cold a few weeks ago, The virus apparently is showing more and looks approximently along the lines of the stomach flu i am not saying it is the stomach flu though, I am going to palpate your daughters stomach to see if i can find anything else out."

As I walked over to Emily and put my gloved hands on her stomach Amanda had already put an I.V. line into Emilys arm.

I went around emily's belly button moving the skin around, I moved felt her ribs a little bit i palpated emily's liver externally, I went to the other side of the table by emily's feet.

" Emily This may be a little uncomfortable, this is the only way I am going to be able to come up with a proper treatment for you."



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" Okay" Emily's voice said weaker now.

I put a little lubricante on my glove i went under the blanket and palpated emily's small pubic bone with my palm, I put two lubricated fingers inside emilys rectum I felt around and I discovered her Reflexes were off. I gathered alot of information from palpating a little internally on a six year old girl even though I hardly did because I felt bad making little kids uncomfortable.

I took off my gloves and threw them in the trash and washed my hands.

" Will My little sweet emily be okay?"

" Carol Emily Has an infection and it is in her stomach, her reflexes are off for excreting waste, That is Terrible for a six year old, Id say she doesn't have that long."

" Amanda Can you please handle Carol I have to go put down the Data I found with the examination so my team can do better research for this new virus."

" Sure Doc No Problem" Amanda Said

I walked to the lab and reported the data to doctor Steve, Steve entered the data in the computer and started research on the virus.

## Chapter 5: Emily Part 2

" Steve What Have you Found out?"

" I confirm that the symptoms that are showing up is a stomach flu, the next person that comes in with this sickness we will need to gather blood samples and urine samples, I order you do a detailed examine of their stomach externally and internally." Steve said as he looked up from the microscope he was cleaning.

" Steven that is what I will do"

I walked out of the lab, I washed my hands at a nurses station and grabbed a bundle of white latex gloves, I placed them in my pocket of my white labcoat. I felt a chill creep up my spine as I walked over to the box of surgery masks, I pulled out a bundle of masks, I placed them in my other pocket of my labcoat.

I washed my hands again at the sink, I turned off the faucet, I tore off paper towels to dry my hands. I looked down at my silver faced watch with the silver numbers with the little hand ticking by the numbers, One hand was on the twelve and the other was on the three, Telling me it was three in the afternoon, I still had about eight hours left on my shift and Olivia would be calling my iPhone at my break that was at 7pm. I went to the elevators and pushed the red button and waited for the white light above the steel elevator doors to light up and ding, The wait wasn't that long for the elevators and the steel doors opened and the light dinged I stepped in the elevator and pressed the main clinic floor button. I arrived on the clinic floor and the newest head nurse Holly came running up to me with her red curled hair bouncing up and down and had a stack of clipboards in her hands.

" here!" Holly said as she threw the clipboards in my arms

" Holly what Does each of these patients need" I said as I juggled to organize the clipboards and balance them in my arms.

" Just Sign offs for discharge and prescriptions and therapists assigned for homecare" Holly said with an angry tone.

" Ok thanks Holly, Holly You are dismissed for the day you look like you had a stressful day."

" Thanks Jerney I will go punch out and head home and get some sleep." Holly Walked towards the elevators and went down to the ground floor to punch out and went home.

I walked down the hall and walked into room 167 I went to the first bed where I saw an older lady her frame tiny and her facial features were small and her eyes were hazel.

" Hello there are you here to dismiss my stay at the hospital, I am ready to get back to my bingo club! My murder she wrote! Above all my Kinect on xbox watch out all box you on Kinect sports! Grace then did little boxing moves with her arms.

" I bet you could get me in boxing, I am writing you a prescription for pain killers for your arm and leg from falling on the ice last week, I am also sending you a few exercises to do for your arm and leg and I am ordering a physical therapist to come to your house for three weeks to strengthen your muscles the therapist will start coming next week."

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Grace looked up at me with a smile on her face and said " Thank you I get to go home and ill call my husband howard to come pick me up!"

I walked out of Graces room, I walked to a few more rooms to discharge patients.

I Felt my phone vibrate in my pocket I took it out of my pocket and slide the unlock button i saw a text from Amandas Emilys Nurse that said in all Capital letters EMILY DIED JUST NOW.

I ran to the hospital elevator, I Went up to the floor that Emily was on, I stepped out of the elevator and put a surgical mask on and slid on my white latex gloves, i walked to into Emilys Room and to Emily's Bed I Saw her little face slumped limply to her shoulder and her skin had a pasty yellow look, I took Emilys Chart off clip at the end of her hospital bed and wrote Pronounced Dead. The team hired to take care of removing dead bodies and sterlizing rooms and cleaning rooms had already went into action I Could tell by looking around and not seeing a hospital tray table or a pink hospital small water pitcher.

## Chapter 6: Downturn Begins

I walked out of the hospital that night and there was snow coming down and covering everything in white, I walked to the parking lot and got to my car quickly and in my car quickly and I put the keys in the ignition and turned the knob to put the heat on full blast, I turned on the radio and flipped through channels until I found a station that was playing Classical and jazz music and left it on. I arrived home at 1 am and I got out of my car and shut the door. I walked into the house and I saw a note on the kitchen counter from Olivia, It read in her neat hand writing " Jermey I all of a sudden Had a terrible fever started the time I got home from work and I had terrible aching all over my body, Can you please exam me when I wake up in the morning.? I took a tylenol P.M. and brewed a hot cup of tea I went to bed, Love Olivia" I walked into the bedroom I could hear Olivia breathing in the bed and all the lights were off so I walked up to the bed and slid under the covers and put my arm around Olivia, Her Body was hot as an oven and radiating a ton of heat she had a fever and had the virus that was manifesting itself and striking everyone in town and it was the virus that killed my patient. I put my head on the pillow and fell asleep. The next morning Olivia woke up and walked to the bathroom and hunched herself over the toilet, she vomitted and vomitted and she clenched her sides and screamed, Olivias stomach gurgled and churned and she hunched over the toilet and out of her mouth came yellow bile mixed that smelled rancid. I woke up and I rolled to the side of the bed and I saw olivia kneeling beside the toilet with hands clenching her sides in the bathroom. I walked to the bathroom to Olivia and kneeled behind her and rubbed her back.

" Am I Going to be Ok?" Olivia asked me

" You have The Virus that killed my patient so i am not sure if your going to be ok Olivia"

" Jermey am I going to Have to go to the hospital today I am worried. Because I have work in a few hours at the office."

" Olivia honey You can go into work, If you get sick though again or feel tired or thirsty please come back home."

" Ok I can do that"

" Olivia lets get you cleaned up and get you on the couch, I want you to rest on the couch and ill bring you soup and water and ill take care of you i just want you to rest on the couch"

" Your a doctor even at home Jermey."

" Olivia I know now lets get you cleaned up and get you on the couch."

Olivia I helped on the couch, I Gave her a cup of water and she took it and clasped her hand around it and sipped a little water from the yellow cup and set it down on the coffee table.

I turned on the tv, for olivia I found The shining on tv and left it on.

I sat on the couch in front of Oliva I checked her vitals, everything seemed fine.

I sat back against the couch and I watched The Shining.

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Towards the end of the movie olivia started sweating terribly and she looked tired.

I looked over at Olivia when the movie was over her head was slumped over to the side on the pillow, her eyes were closed the sweat still glistening on her face.

I looked over and saw Olivia set the black alarm clock on the back of the couch and I saw she set it for work by the red button glowing in the corner of the black clock.

The red numbers glowing on the alarm clock showed 11 am, I started work at 6 pm the sametime Olivia started so I laid down next to Olivia on the couch and I put my arms around her waist and held her and fell asleep.

Beep Beep Beep, I put my hand on the top button of the alarm clock and pressed it down, the beeping stopped,

I leaned over and kissed Olivias cheek, Her eyes opened and she looked up at me.

" Is It Time to go Jermey?"

" Yes Honey It is"

" Ok Jermey Please let me get up "

Jermey got up off the couch first and let me get up after him, I got ready for work fast and left in a hurry.

I got ready for work as soon as Olivia left I shaved and I brushed my teeth, I drove to the hospital with the heat blasting in the car because it was cold and snowy outside.

I went in to the office in the hospital and I found out which paitents I had to see, I went out to the nurses station and I walked up to the black cabient wth drawers with sliver handles.

I opened the cabient and i took out one patient folder, I closed the cabient and I walked to the patients room.

I walked into the paitents room to find an older man, vommiting blood into a pink bed pan that was he was holding, I walked over to the paitents bed to find a nurse lying dead on the floor next to his bed. , I went over the to the paitent in the bed and I asked him.

"How Long Have you been sick for charles?"

" Only A few Hours doctor."

"Charles What Symptoms have you had?"

" I started out with just vomitting and a fever and sweating, I started to feel stomach pain and thats when I came to the hospital doctor."

" Was Marry the nurse thats on the floor dead did she come to cheek up on you charles before her death?"

" yes doctor she did and as soon as she was about to inject my iv with meds, she started coughing up blood and she ran to the bathroom and vomitted up blood and how i know she vomitted up blood she came back to continue to put meds in my iv and there was a little blood left on her mouth. As soon as she picked up the syringe to putin my iv she fell to the floor and gasped for air."

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Charles then started gasping for air and he coughed up a little more blood.

I heard looked over to the heart monitor screen and saw a flat line.

A Nurse came to the door her name was Jessica

" Doctor we just had five people die in a row."

" Jessica were there any Symptoms before there death ?

"Doctor Jerme y Coughing up blood gasping for air were there symptoms."

"Ok Same as Charles and Mary The nurse thats dead on the floor."

" Doctor Jerme y I forgot to tell you the Emergency Room is full theres at least fifty people in the emergency room with stomach flu symptoms and were understaffed please help out in the emergency room?"

" Ok Jessica Tell the staff in the E.R. Im on my way."

I walked into The Emergency Room all I heard was the beeping of heart monitors and vomitting, the whole wing smelled like blood.

I ran over to The First patients bed i attended to that paitent and I ran to the second paitent and i attended to that patient, I ran from paitent to patient attending to the paitents, The Emergency Room felt like a war zone.

I was sweating profusely, as I saw more paitents came into the emergency Room with The same symptoms as the paitents that were in the emergency room already, I went to the nurses station in the emergency room and made an order for them to call in more nurses and doctors.

We were fully staffed for the emergency room ,We had three paitents die just as 9:00 pm approached.

I walked to the lab and I took a blood sample from a sick paitent, I brought the blood sample into the lab.

" Please mark can you take a look at this sample of blood under the microscope?"

Mark was a lab intern that just started a few days ago.

" Sure Doctor"

Mark took blood filled tube from my hands

He sat down at a microscope and adjusted the lense and he snapped on white gloves, He put a little blood on a slide and looked into the lense on the microscope.

" Doctor Jerme y this virus is very aggressive and its multiplying fast."

" Ok Mark thanks let me take a look"

Mark Scattered out of his chair andI sat down were mark was sitting I peered into the microscope. The cellsof the virus were multiplying by the second andthe viruswas unstoppable. I kept focusing the microscope to see what kind of virus this was. It was in the blood, People were puking up blood and then someone else got sick.

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So that told me it was an airborne virus and a aggressive virus that would keep spreading, As the virus spread it would get more aggressive. It was a modern day plague. I named The disease I saw in front of me Varilolas, I wrote it down the name and i sent the name to The official journal of medicine online and I sent the official journal of medicine a description of the virus. I would be a world famous doctor in an hour, gosh it felt good. Treatment wise The official journal of medicine would decide on there own what they wanted to put as treatment of the virus I had no control over that part.

I told my team in the lab to put out spread the word about the new disease I just discovered and spread the word to the local medical clinics, I walked back out to the Emergency room ward and I spread the word about how bad the virus disease was and we put all the patients in confinement rooms. I looked at the clock it was already 6:00 am, I made sure each patient had a team of doctors and nurses to take care of them. I punched out and I got in my car and drove home.

They were standing on there front porch in there winter jackets each smoking a cigarette

" Hows it Going neighbors?"

" Good a bit cold out with this snow coming down Jeremey" Ginger Responded with her face flushed from the cold and the whiteness falling in her red hair.

Gingers Husband Bob with his blond hair put his arm around ginger " Have a nice day Jer."

" Have a nice day Ging and bob" I walked inside my house and shut the door behind me.

I looked down on the floor and Olivia was lying there with her eyes closed, I bent down next to her and I checked her neck for a pulse she had a pulse but it was faint, I called the hospital that I just left, They sent an ambulance.

The paramedics were there in seconds, They Put Olivia on the yellow stretcher and took her to the ambulance and closed the door and put the sirings on and sped out of the driveway.

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