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Greetings,

As March comes to a close, momentum is turning into action, and it's showing up in the collaborations and ideas moving innovation forward across the network.

To keep that energy going, don't miss two upcoming webinar events on April 1 that are great opportunities to connect, learn and be part of what's next. More details below.

Visit <https://ahahealthtech.org/> to learn more about the Center and all the resources available to you.



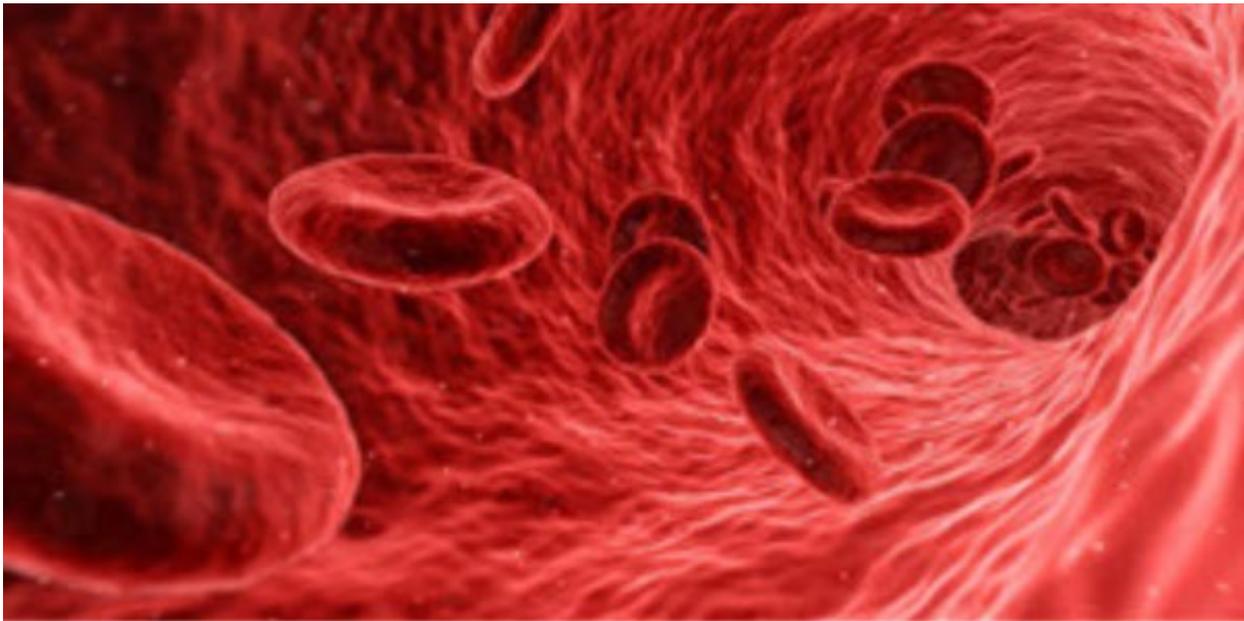
Poll shows American Heart Association is most trusted public health information source after personal doctor

A February survey by the Annenberg Public Policy Center found that 8 in 10 U.S.

adults rank the American Heart Association as the most trusted source of public health information after their personal physicians, who hold the highest trust at 86%.

Confidence is also strong in the American Academy of Pediatrics (77%) and the American Medical Association (73%). Additionally, career scientists at agencies like the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Institutes of Health, and Food and Drug Administration are trusted significantly more than those agencies' leadership.

Read more survey insights [here](#).



New 2026 Guideline on the Management of Dyslipidemia

The American Heart Association and the American College of Cardiology have released the 2026 Guideline on Managing Cholesterol and Blood Fats (Dyslipidemia) focused on how to prevent, detect and treat high cholesterol to protect heart health.

Breakdown of the Guidelines:

- Healthy habits still matter most
Eating well, staying active, maintaining a healthy weight, and managing blood pressure, diabetes and cholesterol remain the foundation of heart health.
- Start early
Taking action earlier in life can help prevent cholesterol problems before they begin.

- Know your numbers

Regular screening for cholesterol and a specific marker called lipoprotein(a) is recommended. In some cases, another marker called apolipoprotein B may also be helpful.

- Understand your risk

The updated PREVENT™ risk calculator helps estimate personal risk for heart attack or stroke so care can be more tailored.

- Medication when needed

If lifestyle changes aren't enough, there are effective medication options to help lower cholesterol and reduce risk.

Read the full Guideline in the [Circulation](#).



Artificial Intelligence in Clinical Care: Reimbursing Outcomes, Not Tools — Co-Authored by Updoc CEO Sharif Vakili, MD, MS, MBA

Artificial intelligence has the potential to reshape health care by automating routine tasks, supporting clinical decision-making, and extending clinician-guided care, especially in primary care settings facing workforce shortages.

But today's U.S. reimbursement models weren't designed for AI. In many cases, they discourage its use and can lead to higher costs, fragmented care, and less physician oversight.

The authors propose a shift, pay for care delivered through validated, outcome-driven workflows rather than time or software use.

This model would keep physicians accountable, better align incentives, support responsible innovation and enable more scalable, high-quality care while reducing the risk of fraud and misuse.

Read full Abstract [here](#).



Noah Labs Obtains FDA Breakthrough Designation for its AI-Powered Voice Diagnostic for Heart Failure

Congratulations to Innovators' Network member Noah Labs' who has received FDA Breakthrough Device Designation for Noah Labs Vox™, a voice-based AI tool that can detect worsening heart failure weeks before hospitalization.

Using a 5-second daily voice recording, the tool identifies subtle vocal changes to enable early, non-invasive monitoring.

It has been trained on millions of voice samples and validated in multiple clinical trials. The approach has the potential to reduce hospitalizations, improve outcomes, expand access to care, especially in underserved communities.

Read the full Press Release [here](#).



Tabia Health's AI Care Platform Earns Mayo Clinic Qualification

Congratulations to Innovators' Network member Tabia Health whose AI-powered care orchestration platform is now a qualified solution on the Mayo Clinic Platform. supporting its mission to modernize care management. The platform helps healthcare organizations modernize care management, moving from fragmented, manual processes to proactive, automated workflows. Using AI, it coordinates care, engages patients, delivers education and helps close care gaps.

Read full announcement [here](#).



Health Tech Virtual Roundtable

Join the Health Tech Virtual Roundtable on **Monday, April 27 at 2 p.m. Central Time.**, featuring a discussion with the Association's Center for Health Technology & Innovation Innovator Network members Tabia and Sensor Bio and hosted by Marat Fudim, MD, MPH; Duke University.

Hosted by the Center for Health Technology and Innovation and AHA's Professional Membership team, together, we are accelerating innovation and improving outcomes for cardiovascular and neurovascular patients worldwide.

Register [here](#) .



Welcome New Innovators' Network Members

The Innovators' Network is a fee-based consortium of industry entrepreneurs, providers and health systems, researchers, pharma, device manufacturers, community and social support networks and payors.

Membership offers research collaboration, AHA brand affiliation, access to a network of volunteer and industry experts and participation at AHA industry events.

Join us in welcoming our newest member of the Innovators' Network!

[Delorean Artificial Intelligence](#) - is a predictive healthcare AI company transforming how disease is detected, managed, and prevented. Its clinically validated platform delivers real-time risk insights, hyper-personalized recommendations, and next-best actions across cardiovascular, renal, and metabolic health—empowering earlier intervention, better outcomes, and lower costs.

Members with non-product news (e.g., funding, trials, publications, exe hires), please submit via the AHA Innovators' Network Member News and Updates [Form](#) on the CHTI's [website](#) . Approved submissions will be published on [ahahealthtech.org](#) and/or

LinkedIn.

Learn more about becoming a member of the Innovators' Network and view all members [here](#).

We are exploring additional ways for you to collaborate with the American Heart Association, from research and science to pilots and real-world use. If you are interested, please fill out this short [Jot Form](#) to identify the areas you are interested in collaborating. We will feature these opportunities on the CHTI website and share with our professional member network comprised of thousands of scientists and researchers.

A red banner for a webinar series. On the left, the American Heart Association logo is above the text "Center for Health Technology & Innovation". Below this is the main title "The Future of Reimbursement in Digital Health" in large white font. Underneath the title is a white box with the text "Wednesday, April 1, 2026, at 12:00pm EST". At the bottom left, it says "Webinar Series". On the right side, there are four circular headshots of speakers with their names and titles below them: Brooke Yeager McSwain, MSc-RRT, MA (American Heart Association); Ryan Keith (Cadence); Jeffrey Abraham, PT (Health Advances); and Sharif Vakili, MD, MBA, MS (UpDoc).

A dark blue and purple banner with a futuristic, glowing background. The main text reads "LEVERAGING AI for Quality Improvement" in large white font, with "Assessing Performance and ROI" in a smaller white font below it.

Double Feature: Exploring the Future of Digital Health & AI

Join us on Wednesday, April 1, 2026 at 12:00 PM EST for two compelling webinars exploring the rapidly evolving landscape of digital health and AI in care delivery.

First, "The Future of Reimbursement in Digital Health" brings together policy and

industry leaders to discuss how payment models are adapting to innovation in AI and digital care. Moderated by Brooke Yeager McSwain (American Heart Association), the session features Ryan Keith (Cadence), Jeffrey Abraham (Health Advances), and Dr. Sharif Vakili (UpDoc), who will share insights on reimbursement trends, challenges, and opportunities.

Register to join live

here: https://heart.zoom.us/webinar/register/8517732369349/WN_KjhscfWmTS-_kltsR0-uMQ.

Can't make it live? The content will be available On Demand on AHA's [You Tube following the program](#). Tune in to all webinars [here](#).

In the second session—part of the American Heart Association's executive webinar series—health system leaders from Sanford Health, Montefiore Einstein, Mass General Brigham, Sharp HealthCare, and Yale New Haven Health will dive into the real-world adoption of AI in cardiovascular and stroke care. Speakers will highlight how organizations are identifying high-impact use cases, validating performance across diverse populations, measuring clinical and economic ROI, and aligning stakeholders across clinical, operational, and financial teams.

Register [here](#).

You can browse all past issues in our [newsletter archive](#) to catch up on key stories and insights. Make sure you're in the loop— [don't miss our news and updates section](#).

We are eager to hear from you. Send Darcy Barrett, darcy.barrett@heart.org, your ideas for what you want included in the monthly newsletter.

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Until next month!