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Greetings,

As we wrap up the month of August, we reflect on the progress, accomplishments, and meaningful connections that have shaped heart and brain innovation. We extend our sincere appreciation to everyone whose dedication, hard work, and commitment continue to impact our mission.

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



The Clock Is Ticking, But You're Not Too Late!

The American Heart Association's [Health Tech Competition](#) is still accepting applications from emerging companies driving innovation in cardiovascular and brain health. Five finalists will be selected to pitch live at Scientific Sessions 2026 in Chicago before a panel of leading clinicians, researchers, investors and industry experts.

In addition to national exposure, finalists will receive conference passes, professional marketing assets, and access to exclusive AHA innovation resources. The winning company will also earn enhanced media promotion and a complimentary one-year membership in the [Center for Health Technology & Innovation Innovators' Network](#).

Applications close September 18, 2026. Don't miss this opportunity to showcase your breakthrough solution and help shape the future of heart and brain health.

[Apply here.](#)



SNEAK PEAK: Health Innovation Pavilion Programming: Meet the Teams Building the AI Cardiologist of the Future

The Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health (ARPA-H) ADVOCATE awardees are building AI-clinician extenders designed to expand access to cardiology expertise for heart failure patients while supporting, not replacing, clinical judgment.

Hear how these teams are tackling:

- Clinical validation
- Trust and adoption
- The potential of agentic AI to transform heart failure care and care team capacity.

Moderated by Dr. Haider Warraich , General Partner, ARPA-H.

 **Saturday, November 7**
 **1:00 PM**



SNEAK PEAK: Health Innovation Pavilion: Human vs. Machine: The Ultimate Clinical Showdown

Back by popular demand, Stump the Doctor returns with an exciting live head-to-head challenge between a physician and an AI model. Using the same patient data, both will make real-time clinical decisions, offering a fascinating look at where human expertise and artificial intelligence shine and where they fall short.

Facilitated by Pierre Elias, MD, this interactive session features Effie Andrikopoulou, MD, Alexander J. Blood, MD, and Kris Vijay, MD as they explore the evolving role of AI in clinical care and what the future may hold for healthcare decision-making.

Will human intuition prevail, or will machine intelligence come out on top? Join us to find out.

📅 Saturday, November 7
🕒 11:00 AM

A red graphic for a webinar series. On the left, the American Heart Association logo is above the text "Center for Health Technology & Innovation". Below this, the title "Remote Patient Monitoring at a Crossroads: What the Clinical and Economic Evidence Means for the Future of Care" is written in white. Under the title, it says "Tuesday, September 1, 2026, at 2:30pm EST" and "Webinar Series". On the right, there are five circular headshots of speakers with their names and affiliations listed below them: Seth Martin, MD, MHS (Johns Hopkins); Marat Fudim, MD, MHS (Duke University); Nathan Starr, DO (Intermountain Health); Erica Spatz, MD, MS (Yale School of Public Health); and Alexander J. Blood, MD, MSc, FACC (AlwithCare).

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RPM in Focus: Examining the Evidence Shaping Future Care

Join us for our first webinar for the month on “Remote Patient Monitoring at a Crossroads: What the Clinical and Economic Evidence Means for the Future of Care”.

Tune in live Tuesday, September 1, 2026, at 2:30pm EST.

Join us for an engaging conversation with:

Moderator:

- Seth Martin, MD, MHS, Professor of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, Johns Hopkins

Speakers:

- Marat Fudim, MD, MHS, Associate Professor of Medicine, Duke University
- Erica Spatz, MD, MS, Cardiologist and Associate Professor, Yale School of Medicine and of Epidemiology at Yale School of Public Health
- Alexander J. Blood, MD, MSc, FACC, Cardiologist Intensivist and Clinical Research, Co-founder and CEO, Brigham and Women's Hospital, AlwithCare
- Nathan Starr, DO, Senior Medical Director, Proactive Care Home Services, Intermountain Health

Register to join live here:

https://heart.zoom.us/webinar/register/1017871723373/WN_yoLdGIIDR7mCWvy8g8SlAg



Operation Warp Speed: Advancing Women's Health Through Collaboration

The American Heart Association's Center for Health Technology & Innovation and the Office of the California Surgeon General recently convened leaders across healthcare, technology, industry and government to explore actionable solutions that can improve health outcomes for women. The conversation identified key opportunities to accelerate innovation, strengthen cross-sector collaboration, and address persistent gaps in women's health. Insights from the discussion will help inform a forthcoming white paper being developed by the Office of the Surgeon General.

Thank you to the leaders and innovators whose expertise and perspectives are helping turn dialogue into action for women's health.



One Mammogram, More Insights: CureMetrix Advances Women's Heart Health

[CureMetrix](#), a member of the AHA's Innovators' Network, has achieved a major milestone with FDA clearance of cmAngio® 2.0, a groundbreaking solution that detects, quantifies, and contextualizes Breast Arterial Calcification (BAC) from routine screening mammograms.

This latest advancement helps physicians unlock valuable cardiovascular insights from an exam many women already receive, without requiring additional imaging, radiation exposure, appointments, or procedures.

New features in cmAngio® 2.0 include:

- ✓ BAC Quantification to measure the extent of calcification
- ✓ Age-Based BAC Percentiles powered by a reference library of more than 170,000 studies
- ✓ BAC Prevalence Reporting to provide additional population-based context

Congratulations to the CureMetrix team on this exciting innovation and important step forward for women's health.



There's Still Time to Make Every Step Count!

The Heart Walk season is underway, and there's still time to get involved! Whether you join the [CHTI team](#), start a team of your own, participate as an individual, or make a donation, your support helps drive the American Heart Association's mission to create a world of longer, healthier lives.

Every step taken and every dollar raised helps fund critical research, lifesaving programs, and community education efforts that are improving outcomes for individuals and families impacted by heart disease and stroke.

Together, we can make a meaningful difference in the fight against the nation's leading cause of death.

♥ Join the team, support a walker, or make a donation today. Every contribution counts!



Can We Detect AFib Earlier? The Next Generation of Monitoring

Our second webinar this month discusses “Pulse of Innovation: What’s Next in AFib Detection and Monitoring”.

Tune in live Wednesday, September 2, 2026, at 12:00pm EST.

Join us for an engaging conversation with:

Moderator:

- Jim Kaveney, Founder, Partner, Unlimited Heart Health & Wellness, Nudj Health

Speakers:

- Nino Isakadze, MD, MHS, Cardiac Electrophysiologist, Director, Johns Hopkins
- Mintu Turakhia, MD MS, FAHA FACC FHRS, Chief Medical Officer & Scientific Officer & EVP, Advanced Technologies, [iRhythm Technologies, Inc](#)
- James Mault, MD, FACS, Founder and Executive Chairman, [BioIntelliSense](#)

Register to join live here:

https://heart.zoom.us/webinar/register/3617876005330/WN_etmO_IS6TSiFYAn_F3OgoA

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

We hope to see you then!

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.

Know someone who wants to join our mailing list? Forward the "sign up for our mailing list" [link](#).

Until next month!



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