

# This Week in Health Tech

HIStalk's 5 Top Stories in 60 Seconds

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# #1 Garner Health Raises \$118 Million

## **What Happened:**

Garner Health announces \$118 million in Series D funding.

## **Why It Matters:**

The funding brings the patient navigation and doctor quality analytics platform vendor's valuation to \$1.35 billion.

# #2 Lotus Health AI Announces Funding

## **What Happened:**

Lotus Health AI raises \$41 million.

## **Why It Matters:**

The funding will enable the company to further scale its 24x7 digital primary care service, which relies on patient data, AI diagnostics, peer-reviewed evidence and guidelines, and clinician review.

# #3 KLAS Research Releases “Best in KLAS”

## **What Happened:**

KLAS Research publishes its “2026 Best in KLAS: Software and Services” report.

## **Why It Matters:**

Publication of the report gives rise to a flurry of press releases from top-ranked companies like Epic and Athenahealth, and gives health IT decision-makers food for thought as demo-friendly shows like ViVE and HIMSS approach.

# #4 Synthpop Announces Series A Funding

## 💡 **What Happened:**

Synthpop raises \$15 million in Series A funding.

## 🤔 **Why It Matters:**

The company, which has raised a total of \$23 million, will use this latest investment to expand its healthcare AI for diagnostics, fertility, and durable medical equipment workflows.

# #5 Apple Scraps Plans for Virtual Health Coach



## **What Happened:**

Apple ceases development of an AI-enhanced virtual health coach app.



## **Why It Matters:**

Apple developers recognize that they can't effectively compete with existing iPhone apps offered by companies like Oura and Whoop.

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