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Healthcare News and Deals - December 2nd, 2025

1. Curative Health Insurance raises over \$150 million Series B from Upside Vision Fund, JAM Fund, Galaxy Digital, Duquesne Family Office and DCVC to scale its AI-powered \$0-out-of-pocket health plan and expand its national footprint

Curative ties comprehensive benefits to an annual Baseline Visit, driving higher primary care use, fewer hospitalizations, and lower drug costs for employer-sponsored members. The profitable company, already serving over 1,200 employers and 165,000 people, will use new funding to expand nationally, bolster reserves, enhance AI-driven operations, and grow its instant-pay Cash Card network. ([Link](#))

2. Protego Biopharma raises \$130 million Series B from Novartis Venture Fund, Forbion, Omega Funds, Droia Ventures, YK Bioventures, Digitalis Ventures, Vida Ventures and Lightspeed Venture Partners to advance PROT-001 for AL amyloidosis

Protego is advancing PROT-001, a pharmacological chaperone designed to stabilize misfolded immunoglobulin light chains and prevent amyloid deposits, aiming for true disease modification in AL amyloidosis rather than symptomatic control. Drawing on the founders' tafamidis experience, the program moves toward pivotal trials in a field marked by repeated late-stage failures and high unmet need. ([Link](#))

3. TRIANA Biomedicines raises \$120 million Series B from Ascenta Capital, Bessemer Venture Partners, Regeneron Ventures, Finchley Healthcare Ventures, RA Capital Management, Atlas Venture, Lightspeed Venture Partners, Pfizer Ventures, and Surveyor Capital to advance molecular glue degrader pipeline

TRIANA is pushing TRI-611, an ALK-targeted molecular glue degrader, toward clinical proof of concept in resistant ALK-positive lung cancer, while preparing a second candidate for 2026. The company is expanding its discovery platform and clinical capabilities, guided by new investor-board members, to build a broader next-generation targeted protein degradation portfolio. ([Link](#))

4. Angle Health raises \$134 million Series B led by Portage, with Blumberg Capital, Mighty Capital, PruVen Capital, SixThirty Ventures, T SVC, Wing VC, and Y Combinator to scale its AI-native health benefits platform for SMBs

Angle Health's integrated platform uses proprietary AI to predict risk, merge medical and pharmacy data, and design tailored health benefits for small and mid-sized employers. Having rapidly scaled to thousands of employers with strong renewal rates, it helps brokers deliver instant, customized quotes without health surveys as healthcare costs climb sharply. ([Link](#))

5. Paradigm Health raises \$78 million Series B from ARCH Venture Partners, DFJ Growth, F-Prime, General Catalyst, GV, Lux Capital, Mubadala Capital, and American Cancer Society's BrightEdge Fund to expand AI-enabled clinical trial infrastructure

Paradigm Health is scaling an AI-powered trial network that links sponsors to 166 provider groups and 2,100 locations in 45 states, allowing faster enrollment and lighter workloads for clinicians. Building on Flatiron Health's research business, it operates the largest U.S. oncology network, is expanding into other diseases, and embedding trials into routine care workflows. ([Link](#))

6. Excelsior Sciences raises \$95 million from Deerfield Management, Khosla Ventures, Sofinnova Partners, Cornucopian Capital, Illinois Ventures, Eli Lilly and MIT to scale AI-driven small-molecule chemistry platform

Excelsior Sciences is developing an automated synthesis platform built on modular "smart blocs" that allow machine-executable chemistry and AI-guided molecule design. New funding will expand its internal pipeline, industrialize the technology, and enable rapid make-test cycles that generate rich data to speed development and reshoring of small-molecule drugs and materials. ([Link](#))

7. Akura Medical raises \$53 million Series C led by Qatar Investment Authority to advance its venous thrombectomy technology platform and clinical development programs

Akura Medical is accelerating development of its intelligent thrombectomy system and CT-based 3D planning software, aiming to complete enrollment in the QUADRA-PE trial and secure regulatory clearances. Its Katana and NavIQ technologies work together to clear diverse clots, guide case planning and prioritization, and support global expansion in venous thromboembolism care. ([Link](#))

8. SciNeuro Pharmaceuticals raises \$53 million led by LAV and ARCH Venture Partners to advance pipeline of therapies for neurodegenerative diseases

SciNeuro is using the new funding to push multiple neurodegenerative and broader CNS programs, including Lp-PLA2, beta amyloid, and LRRK2 targets, closer to clinical testing. The company is scaling its discovery engine, expanding R&D and organizational capacity, and

adding an experienced CFO to guide financial strategy and support future capital markets activity. ([Link](#))

9. Reema Health raises \$19 million Series B from LRVHealth and Optum Ventures to expand community-based care navigation for high-need populations

Reema pairs a tech platform with community guides and virtual behavioral care to help Medicaid, Medicare, dual-eligible, and commercial members navigate both medical systems and social services. By identifying barriers like transport or food insecurity and operating under value-based contracts, it has expanded to multiple states, lowered emergency use and total costs, and is adding a perinatal behavioral health offering. ([Link](#))

10. Empathy Health Technologies raises \$7.6 million from HealthX Ventures, Nina Capital, Ikigai Healthcare Funds, American Heart Association Ventures, Suncoast Ventures and Cortado Ventures to scale Sober Sidekick relapse-prevention platform

Sober Sidekick combines a sobriety tracker, 24/7 peer messaging, AA meetings, professional support, and an "Empathy Algorithm" that flags rising relapse risk and prompts timely outreach. The app stays free to individuals, underpins value-based contracts with payers, and, with large active usage, shows that frequent engagement can sharply cut relapse risk. ([Link](#))

11. Care Resource receives \$5 million grant from the Bezos Day 1 Families Fund to expand homelessness support for families in South Florida

The grant will fund expanded emergency housing, stronger case management, and better connections to long-term housing and wraparound services for families in Miami-Dade and Broward counties. By linking shelter with primary care, behavioral health, and social supports, the program aims to prevent children sleeping outside and help families regain lasting stability. ([Link](#))

Events:

1. January 12th - 15th - JPM Healthcare Conference

The 44th Annual J.P. Morgan Healthcare Conference will be held from January 12-15, 2026, at the Westin St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco, CA. The conference is a major industry event that brings together healthcare leaders, investors, and innovators, and it features a range of events and networking opportunities throughout the week. ([Link](#))

2. January 22nd - Policy and Practice Forum - How to Build Healthy and Resilient Communities Through Human-Centered AI

HDIG is producing this interactive workshop, along with Onix, and HDIG Sr. Research Fellows from UNC and Wake Forest University, will fill gaps in awareness and access for practitioners

in industry, research and governance. This event is hosted by Innovate Carolina and Chapel Hill Mayor, Jessica Anderson. ([Link](#))

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