The Disruptors

Amazon

CVS Health

Google

Apple
THE INNOVATOR'S DILEMMA
WHEN NEW TECHNOLOGIES CAUSE GREAT FIRMS TO FAIL

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What Is Disruptive Innovation?

by Clayton M. Christensen, Michael E. Raynor, and Rory McDonald
dis·rup·tion

noun

disturbance or problems that interrupt an event, activity, or process.
"the schedule was planned to minimize disruption"
Move 37
人机世纪之战

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Google AlphaGo vs 李世石

全程中文直播
Disrupted Humanity – Move 37

Was Move 37 the seminal moment in human development?
If your business is so bad, why does everyone want to get into it?
Apple Watch could add two years to your life, research suggests

Laura Donnelly, Health Editor
Healthcare has been an industry ripe for disruption.

Old Tech

Data Silos
Healthcare is only business with enough scale to move the needle
Which Entrant Will Have The Biggest Impact?

- Amazon: 59%
- Apple: 14%
- Google: 8%
- Microsoft: 7%
- IBM: 4%
- Walmart: 3%
- Salesforce: 3%
- Other: 1%
Which Technologies Will Have The Biggest Impact?

- Telemedicine: 29%
- Artificial Intelligence: 20%
- Interoperability: 15%
- Data Analytics: 13%
- Mobile Data: 11%
- Information Security: 7%
- Cloud: 3%
- Blockchain: 2%
AMBIENT INTELLIGENCE
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Takes information and gives it context
AMBIENT INTELLIGENCE

Intelligent computing where environments support the people inhabiting them
Am I

- Hospitals are a treasure trove of data due to existing and upcoming sources of data
What do these companies all have in common?
IF
IfSeenThisBefore()
{
Relax()
}
ELSE
{
RunLikeHell()
}
We are hardwired to fear novelty and to seek out comfort in familiarity.
Compete or Augment?
Ten years ago...
Wal-Mart’s Goals & Intentions In Health Care
Wal-Mart says could open up to 2,000 in-store health clinics in 5-7 years

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Sam's Club has partnered with some of the best in their fields to offer the most affordable health care and employee benefit solutions to our Members.

Health and Medical Discounts:
Save 5% to 50% on health care products and services from HealthAllies, A UnitedHealth Group Company.

Health Insurance:
Save on average 25–30% on health insurance coverage with a range of insurance plans.

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Save up to 25% over traditional drug stores.

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The Role Of the $4 Prescription Plan
Wal-mart & The Art Of Scale
Wal-Mart is an I.T. Company
Walmart in Early-Stage Acquisition Talks With Humana

If companies do strike deal, it would be retail giant’s largest by far

Anna Wilde Mathews • Updated March 29, 2018 8:02 p.m. ET
Walmart, Not Amazon, May Turn Out To Be The Real Health Care Disruptor

JED GRAHAM

Every Amazon (AMZN) flirtation toward the health care industry has sent hearts racing on Wall Street. Yet Amazon appears to be having commitment issues, and others have leapt while Jeff Bezos hesitated. Now comes a possible Walmart (WMT)-Humana (HUM) merger. A Walmart acquisition of the insurer could fundamentally reshape health care delivery in ways that Amazon may have trouble matching.
## Total number of Walmart stores in the United States from 2012 to 2018, by type

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This statistic depicts the number of Walmart stores in the United States from 2012 to 2018, by type. In 2018, there were a total of 5,358 Walmart stores throughout the United States.

**Walmart**
A doctor who is with you always — every day.

Connect in minutes with board-certified doctors and psychologists over live video. Available 24/7 without the hassle of the waiting room.

**Easy to use**

Download the app and connect instantly with doctors or psychologists using your phone, tablet, or computer. You can also schedule appointments.

**Lower cost & less waiting**

Avoid the high cost and long wait times of urgent care or the ER. Your price through Walmart’s medical plan is just $40 for a medical visit and $50 for a psychologist visit.*

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**What we can treat**

- Cough, cold & flu
- Skin issues & rashes
- Urinary tract infections
- Stomach issues
- Sore throat
- Allergies
- Anxiety & stress
- Pink eye & more
The Right Care at the Right Time: Expanding Our Centers of Excellence Network

Starting next year, Walmart will double the number of world-class medical facilities available to our associates who have been told they need a spine surgery. Whether you’re a cashier in Wyoming who’s been with the company for six months or you’re a 20-year associate running a store in Miami, if you have Walmart health insurance, you have this benefit.

We are adding the Mayo Clinic facilities in Arizona, Minnesota and Florida to our current list of Centers of Excellence (COE) for spine surgeries, which are Mercy Hospital Springfield in Missouri, Virginia Mason Medical Center in Washington and Geisinger Medical Center in Pennsylvania. Our COE program is about more than just access to these facilities and their specialists; it covers these procedures at 100%, including travel, lodging and an expense allowance for the patient and a caregiver.
Walmart started offering this benefit in 2013 and our data tells us we are making a difference for our people, but we want to do more. That’s one of the reasons for adding more eligible medical facilities to the program. Other reasons these medical facilities were selected are that each facility:

- Fosters a culture of following evidence-based guidelines, and as a result, only performs surgeries when necessary.
- Structures surgeons’ compensation so they are incentivized on providing care based on what’s most appropriate for each individual patient and looking at surgery as a last option.
- Is geographically located throughout the country to provide high-quality care to participants in one of Walmart’s health benefits plans.

Why would Walmart offer a benefit like this? It’s pretty simple—we care about our people and want them to receive the right care at the right time. Research, as well as our own internal data, shows about 30% of the spinal procedures done today are unnecessary. By utilizing the Centers of Excellence program, our associates are assessed by specialists who are incentivized differently to get to the root cause and prescribe appropriate treatment.
Walmart’s Centers of Excellence (COE) program gives you access to world-class specialists for:

- Certain heart surgeries, like cardiac bypass and valve replacements
- Certain spine surgeries, like spinal fusions and removal of spinal discs (discectomy)*
- Hip and knee replacements*
- Medical record review for breast, lung and colorectal cancer to determine if you would benefit from travel to a Centers of Excellence hospital – and an onsite visit, if recommended
- Certain weight-loss surgeries, like gastric bypass and gastric sleeve procedures**
- Organ and tissue transplants (except kidney, cornea and intestinal)**

**Cardiac**
- Cleveland Clinic (Cleveland, Ohio)
- Geisinger Medical Center (Danville, Pennsylvania)
- Virginia Mason Medical Center (Seattle, Washington)

**Breast, lung and colorectal cancer**
- Mayo Clinic Arizona (Scottsdale, Arizona)
- Mayo Clinic Florida (Jacksonville, Florida)
- Mayo Clinic Minnesota (Rochester, Minnesota)
September 24, 2018

Dear Leafy Greens Supplier,

At Walmart, we are committed to providing our customers with safe, affordable foods. As food safety is a shared responsibility, one way in which we achieve this is through collaboration with our suppliers.

That’s why Walmart is today announcing a new, blockchain-enabled Walmart Food Traceability Initiative that will increase transparency in the food system and create shared value for the entire leafy green farm to table continuum.
Over the past 18 months, Walmart has piloted new technology in collaboration with numerous suppliers and IBM and we have demonstrated that meaningful enhancements to food traceability is possible.

Using the IBM Food Trust network that relies on blockchain technology, we have shown that we can reduce the amount of time it takes to track a food item from a Walmart Store back to source in seconds, as compared to days or sometimes weeks.
With blockchain, research that used to take 7 days can now take as little as 2.2 seconds, tracing contaminated foods to their source, fast.
As part of our new Walmart Food Traceability Initiative:

All fresh leafy greens suppliers are expected to be able to trace their products back to farm(s) (by production lot) in seconds – not days. To do this, suppliers will be required to capture digital, end-to-end traceability event information using the IBM Food Trust network.

We understand that this may require you to work with your suppliers too. Therefore, we are allowing this requirement to be met in two phases.

1. **Direct Suppliers** – our direct suppliers are required to conform to one-step back traceability on the blockchain network by Jan 31, 2019.

2. **End-to-End** – thereafter, our suppliers are expected to work within their vertical systems or with their suppliers to enable end-to-end traceability back to farm by September 30, 2019.
When Walmart pushes a new technology hard, it tends to become a standard.
9,800 retail locations, more than 1,100 walk-in health care clinics, a pharmacy benefits manager with more than 94 million plan members, a dedicated senior pharmacy care business serving more than one million patients per year.
MinuteClinic - As of December 31, 2017, we operated 1,134 MinuteClinic® locations in 33 states and the District of Columbia, of which 1,050 were located in our retail pharmacy stores, and 79 were located in Target stores. We opened 15 new clinics during 2017.
CVS Health Corporation, together with its subsidiaries is a pharmacy innovation company helping people on their path to better health.
Changes in market dynamics or the actions of competitors or manufacturers, including industry consolidation, the emergence of new competitors and strategic alliances, and the exclusion from new narrow or restricted networks, could materially and adversely impact us.
CVS Health-Aetna Combination Will Help Address U.S. Health Care System Challenges

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CVS Health and Aetna Bring Unique and Differentiated Capabilities to the Combination

CVS Health
- Unparalleled reach that positions us as the front door to health care
- Ability to support patients, payors and providers with innovative, channel-agnostic solutions
- Broad capabilities to holistically manage patients
- Deep clinical expertise and insights
- Leading provider of pharmacy services in long-term care
- Unmatched scale in the U.S. making us low-cost provider

Aetna
- World class consumer health and engagement model
- Leading health financing platform
- Best-in-class service
- Targeted solutions to improve health and wellness
- Differentiated provider collaboration experience – equipping providers with tools to succeed
- Innovative plan designs
Extensive Consumer Reach Across Many Platforms

- **Active Patient Base**: 65M
- **Clinical Message Reach**: 1B
- **Phone Number Accuracy**: 95%
- **ExtraCare Emails**: 55M
- **Text Message Enrollment**: 48M
- **Auto-Fulfillment Usage**: 144M
- **Patient Consultation**: 140M
- **ExtraCare Offers**: 21B
THE BEZOS EFFECT

The CVS-Aetna deal is actually all about Amazon

By Sarah Todd  |  December 03, 2017
“CVS would never admit it, but this sort of pivot is Amazon’s doing,” Trip Miller, managing partner at Gullane Capital Partners, a minor shareholder in Amazon, told The Street. “What they’re doing now is definitely based on Amazon’s interest.”
"It's not quite explicit yet what they're planning on doing but whatever it is, it's scaring CVS," Rowe said about Amazon.
The failure of recent horizontal mergers, like Aetna-Humana deal, has forced companies to think more vertically across sectors to increase their footprint.
CVS is reacting, not innovating with Aetna deal. They are going vertical, not horizontal.
Because it will swallow Aetna’s records on patient medical care, its physical outlets will have access to far more information about patients’ chronic illnesses. As Aetna’s boss, Mark Bertolini, put it, “We have 10,000 new front doors to the health-care system.”
The integration of intangibles takes time, their benefits will not be observed overnight. This is one reason why it has taken as long as it has for these combinations to take place. The integration of these different resources must be executed efficiently, and their successful organization is not always obvious.
The rationale for the CVS-Aetna merger may not be all that clear in the present climate, especially the ability for it to be successfully executed, but it signals new opportunities.
Wednesday, December 6, 2017

WOONSOCKET, R.I., Dec. 6, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- CVS Pharmacy (NYSE: CVS) introduced free, same-day delivery for prescriptions and certain over-the-counter items in Manhattan this week. The new free delivery service makes it easier for customers to save time and stay healthy. Free, same-day delivery in Manhattan is one of CVS Pharmacy’s national network of delivery solutions. Same-day delivery in additional cities and next-day, nationwide delivery will be launching in early 2018.
CVS Health and Aetna $69 Billion Merger Is Approved With Conditions
Oct. 10, 2018
- Federal judge will take testimony in 1 week to review merger
- Predictive Analytics
Closed down Google Health in 2012
In November

Deep Mind

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Google Health
Scalable and accurate deep learning for electronic health records

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All available data for each patient is converted to events recorded in containers based on the Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resource (FHIR) specification.

The FHIR resources are placed in temporal order, depicting all events recorded in the EHR (i.e. timeline). The deep learning model uses this full history to make each prediction.
Table 2: Prediction Accuracy of Each Task Made at Different Time Points

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\(^1\) Area under the receiver operator curve
\(^2\) augmented early warning score
\(^3\) modified HOSPITAL score
\(^4\) modified Liu score
About DeepMind Health

Our relationship with Google

Google acquired DeepMind in 2014, because they were excited about the potential for our technology. As part of this acquisition, we agreed that DeepMind would continue to operate independently, and that we would put our technology at the service of other groups like the NHS in line with our social mission. DeepMind Health is our first effort to achieve this.

Most importantly, NHS patient data will only ever be used to help improve hospital care. No NHS patient data will ever be connected to Google accounts or services, and it won’t ever be used for any commercial purposes like advertising or insurance. Doing so would be illegal, and would go against the ethical code that underpins our culture and work.
Google DeepMind’s Streams technology branded ‘phenomenal’

An NHS consultant nurse who is part of a team using an app which helps to detect early signs of kidney failure has branded it ‘phenomenal’.
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Algorithm for detecting Acute Kidney Injury (AKI) based on serum creatinine changes with time

This algorithm relates to the NHS England patient safety alert: NHS/PSA/D/2014/010

RI = Population Reference Interval (Age and sex related if available)

RV = Reference value. Defined as: the creatinine value with which an index creatinine value is compared

Calculate RV ratio $C_1 / RV_1$

Is higher RV ratio $\geq 1.5$?
D = difference between current and lowest previous result within 48hrs

Report without alert.
Send to authorisation if creatinine has increased > 26 μmol/L in < 7 days. Consider requesting repeat if CKD unlikely.

Is age < 18 years?

ULRI = upper limit of reference interval

Serum creatinine > 3 ULRI?

Has change occurred within 48hrs?

Serum creatinine > 354 μmol/L?

Alert! AKI 3

Is higher RV ratio ≥ 3.0?

Alert! AKI 2

Is higher RV ratio ≥ 2.0 and < 3.0?

Alert! AKI 1

Is higher RV ratio ≥ 1.5 and < 2.0?
DeepMind's Streams app was designed in close collaboration with doctors and nurses to best meet their clinical needs.
Secure productivity tools that help you help others.

Give patients fast, efficient service while meeting the strict requirements of regulations like HIPAA.
Make mobile healthcare easier.

- Keep patient information in Google Docs, Sheets or other files stored in Google Drive.
- Access and update the information from anywhere using laptops, tablets or smartphones.
- Get more face time with remote patients by using Google Hangouts for video conferencing.
Alphabet Receives Clearance from FDA for Verily ECG Smartwatch

January 20, 2019

- Google’s parent company Alphabet is working on a new smartwatch.
- The smartwatch was approved by the FDA with a 510(k) clearance to include an ECG.
- The product will be used for collecting health data and will not be made available commercially.
Verily Life Sciences, the healthcare subsidiary of Google’s parent company, Alphabet, is expanding the investment and collaboration program — called Partner Space — that it launched in 2017 to work with startups.
Alphabet’s Verily is reportedly developing connected health-tracking shoes

Verily Life Sciences LLC, the healthcare division of Alphabet Inc., may be working on a new wearable device.

Anonymous sources cited today by CNBC claimed that the group is developing a sensor-equipped shoe for tracking patient health. The device is reportedly capable of monitoring the wearer’s movements and weight, two metrics that can be useful for diagnosing medical issues.
Google is intent on becoming a force in EHRs, which is a business that is begging to be disrupted.
Meaningful Use

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Interoperability
Data Interoperability with Apigee Health APIx

Patients expect that their smartphone health and fitness apps will extend to interaction with their healthcare information and providers. The analysis of data collected from apps and wearable devices enables new treatments, better diagnosis and outcomes, and will help realize the promise of connected healthcare.
An Accelerator for Digital Healthcare

The Apigee Health APIx solution makes it easy for healthcare providers, including hospitals and clinics, to connect with app developers and health data partners to build new FHIR API-based digital services. It simplifies and accelerates interoperability and innovation by providing services that are ready for immediate use as well as cloud infrastructure to bootstrap internal and external innovation.

This solution is built on Apigee Edge, an enterprise-grade platform for managing, securing, and scaling APIs. It is FHIR-server agnostic, enabling healthcare companies to easily ingest health data from internal, external, or open-source FHIR-ready partners.
Introducing Apigee Health APIx: Advancing Patient Data Interoperability

FHIR STANDARD
Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources

A standard that outlines data formats and APIs for exchanging electronic health records
FHIR STANDARD
Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources

2018
All patient data must be exposed via APIs.
MD Anderson Cancer Center to cut 900 jobs due to losses from EHR rollout

By Maria Castellucci | January 6, 2017

The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center will cut about 800 to 900 people from its payroll, or 5% of its workforce, as it tries to recover from financial losses after implementing its electronic health record.

The Houston-based cancer center reported significant losses in fiscal 2016 partly because of a difficult adaptation of its new Epic Systems network, the Wall Street Journal reported.
EHRs steal primary care doctors face time with patients, study finds

New research determined that providers spend more than half of clinic visits working with their EHRs than they do interacting with patients.
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Power Your Science
Google Genomics helps the life science community organize the world's genomic information and make it accessible and useful. Big genomic data is here today, with petabytes rapidly growing toward exabytes. Through our extensions to Google Cloud Platform, you can apply the same technologies that power Google Search and Maps to securely store, process, explore, and share large, complex datasets.
Monitor progress from anywhere

Get daily, weekly, or monthly views of your fitness. Check your progress from your phone, tablet, computer, or Android Wear watch.
Assisting Pathologists in Detecting Cancer with Deep Learning

Friday, March 03, 2017

Posted by Martin Stumpe, Technical Lead, and Lily Peng, Product Manager

A pathologist’s report after reviewing a patient’s biological tissue samples is often the gold standard in the diagnosis of many diseases. For cancer in particular, a pathologist’s diagnosis has a profound impact on a patient’s therapy. The reviewing of pathology slides is a very complex task, requiring years of training to gain the expertise and experience to do well.

Even with this extensive training, there can be substantial variability in the diagnoses given by different pathologists for the same patient, which can lead to misdiagnoses. For example, agreement in diagnosis for some forms of breast cancer can be as low as 48%, and similarly low for prostate cancer. The lack of agreement is not surprising given the massive amount of information that must be reviewed in order to make an accurate diagnosis. Pathologists are responsible for reviewing all the biological tissues visible on a slide. However, there can be many slides per patient, each of which is 10+ gigapixels when digitized at 40X magnification. Imagine having to go through a thousand 10 megapixel (MP) photos, and having to be responsible for every pixel. Needless to say, this is a lot of data to cover, and often time is limited.
Deep Learning for Detection of Diabetic Eye Disease

Tuesday, November 29, 2016

Posted by Lily Peng MD PhD, Product Manager and Varun Gulshan PhD, Research Engineer

Diabetic retinopathy (DR) is the fastest growing cause of blindness, with nearly 415 million diabetic patients at risk worldwide. If caught early, the disease can be treated; if not, it can lead to irreversible blindness. Unfortunately, medical specialists capable of detecting the disease are not available in many parts of the world where diabetes is prevalent. We believe that Machine Learning can help doctors identify patients in need, particularly among underserved populations.

A few years ago, several of us began wondering if there was a way Google technologies could improve the DR screening process, specifically by taking advantage of recent advances in Machine Learning and Computer Vision. In "Development and Validation of a Deep Learning Algorithm for Detection of Diabetic Retinopathy in Retinal Fundus Photographs", published today in JAMA, we present a deep learning algorithm capable of interpreting signs of DR in retinal photographs, potentially helping doctors screen more patients in settings with limited resources.
We’re tackling aging, one of life’s greatest mysteries.

Calico is a research and development company whose mission is to harness advanced technologies to increase our understanding of the biology that controls lifespan. We will use that knowledge to devise interventions that enable people to lead longer and healthier lives. Executing on this mission will require an unprecedented level of interdisciplinary effort and a long-term focus for which funding is already in place.
Jeanne Calmet - 122 years old
Happy Accidents
Age Gap to Spouse

Spouse is older

Spouse is younger

Relative Risk of Dying

Men
Women

Age Gap in Years

-17 to -7
-7 to -5
-5 to -3
-3 to -1
-1 to 1
1 to 3
3 to 5
5 to 7
7 to 9
9 to 11
11 to 13
13 to 15
15 to 17

Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research

Logo
Drinking a cup of coffee may add nine minutes per day to your life

By Sarah Knapton, Science Editor
11 July 2017 • 7:10AM
Sauna bathing reduces the risk of stroke in Finnish men and women
A prospective cohort study

Setor K. Kunutsor, Hassan Khan, Francesco Zaccardi, Tanja-niina Laukkanen, Peter Willeit, Jari A. Laukkanen

First published May 2, 2018, DOI: https://doi.org/10.1212/WNL.0000000000005606
Those who hit the sauna at least four times a week were about 60 percent less likely to suffer a stroke over the next 15 years — versus people who had only one weekly sauna session.
Men who utilized the sauna, two to three times weekly experienced 27% less fatal cardiovascular events than those who only used the sauna one time per week.

Even more impressive, men who utilized saunas, four to seven times weekly were 50% less likely to encounter fatal cardiovascular disease.

Fatal cardiovascular disease was not the only disease reduced by sauna use. The men who used the sauna, two to three times per week had a 24% lower all-cause mortality rate, and those using it four to seven times had a 40% lower all-cause mortality rate.
Genetic Tinkering
Interventions

Debug
Stopping the spread of disease-carrying mosquitoes by rearing and releasing millions of sterile males.

Galvani Bioelectronics
Creating bioelectronic medicines to tackle a wide range of chronic diseases with GlaxoSmithKline.

Liftware
Helping people with hand tremor or limited hand and arm mobility to eat with confidence and independence.

Retinal Imaging
Working with Nikon (including its subsidiary Optos) and Google Research to develop machine learning-enabled solutions for diabetes related eye disease.

Verb Surgical
Advancing surgical robotics to benefit surgeons, patients, and hospitals, in partnership with Ethicon, a division of Johnson & Johnson.
MS Observational Study
Working with Biogen and Brigham and Women's Hospital to research environmental, biological and other contributing factors to multiple sclerosis to determine early intervention options.

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One Brave Idea
Pioneering an unprecedented research award with the American Heart Association and AstraZeneca focused on preventing or reversing coronary heart disease and ultimately improving cardiovascular health.

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Personalized Parkinson's Project
Researching the course of Parkinson's disease with Radboud UMC and ParkinsonNet to identify biological and physiological markers and inform better treatments.

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Precision Medicine Initiative
Supporting development of the Data and Research Support Center for the NIH's All of Us Research Program.

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Project Baseline
Embracing on a landmark effort including a study with Duke University and Stanford Medicine to develop a rich dataset and research platform to better characterize transitions in health.

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WE’VE MAPPED THE WORLD.
NOW LET’S MAP HUMAN HEALTH.
It begins with you.

The first initiative of Project Baseline is a study led by Verily, Duke University School of Medicine, Stanford Medicine, and Google. We are seeking around 10,000 people to represent different ages, backgrounds, and medical histories on behalf of humanity over four years. Starting in the US, if you are at least 18 years old, you may be eligible to:
Prediction of cardiovascular risk factors from retinal fundus photographs via deep learning

Ryan Poplin, Avinash V. Varadarajan, Katy Blumer, Yun Liu, Michael V. McConnell, Greg S. Corrado, Lily Peng & Dale R. Webster

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Apple has to get into healthcare
Slowly moving from hardware to services
JP Morgan estimated
Apple revenue from healthcare

2021 $13B

2027 > $300B
AC Wellness

Coming Spring 2018

AC Wellness is an independent medical practice dedicated to delivering compassionate, effective healthcare to the Apple employee population.

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Apple explored buying a medical-clinic start-up as part of a bigger push into health care

- Apple’s health team was until recently deep in talks to buy Crossover Health, the venture-backed start-up that runs its on-site medical clinic.
- It’s not clear if Apple wanted to own and operate a network of health clinics, like its retail stores, or simply partner to sell products with a health-related angle, like the Apple Watch.

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Penick Medical Center

- **Allergies**
  - Peanut
    - Documented

- **Immunizations**
  - Influenza
    - Administered

- **Lab Results**
  - HDL cholesterol
    - Collected
    - 53.5 mg/dL

- **Medications**
  - Albuterol HFA 90mcg
Apple in Talks to Give Veterans Access to Electronic Medical Records

Under plans being discussed, Apple would create software allowing veterans to transfer health records to iPhones

By Ben Kesling and Tripp Mickle    Updated Nov. 20, 2018 6:48 p.m. ET
New Sample Types
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Accessing Health Records with HealthKit

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Jason Morley, Health Software
Peyton Randolph, Health Software
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API Features

- All-day monitoring
- Relevant to Parkinson’s Disease
- Code signing entitlement
- Efficiency
- Price transparency
- Logistics
The attitude of most companies is

‘This thing runs at 10m/s. How can we make it run at 12 m/s?’

Whereas Amazon takes the opposite view:

‘Are there any laws of physics that prevent this running at 100,000m/s? if not, how do we get it to do this?’
According to a survey by Cowen, an investment bank, **67%** of Amazon Prime customers would like to buy prescription drugs on the website. Amazon could be earning as much as $10bn a year from drugs by 2023, it reckons.
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CUSTOMERS
AMAZON CONSIDERING ENTERING PHARMACY BUSINESS
Amazon is hiring people to break into the multibillion-dollar pharmacy market

- Each year, Amazon holds an annual meeting to discuss whether it should break into the pharmacy market, said a source familiar.
- This year, it is getting more serious and Amazon is looking to hire a general manager.
- Industry experts say this could be a multibillion market opportunity for the e-commerce company.

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CNBC
Amazon has been applying for pharmacy licenses in certain states over the past few months, which a company spokeswoman says is required for Amazon Business to sell such professional-use medical products.
Amazon launches same-day delivery service for food and medicine

BY SHUSUKE MURAI
STAFF WRITER
[Class 1 drugs] Loxonin S 12 tablets * Self-medication tax target items
Daiichi Sankyo Healthcare

Reference price: ¥799
Price: ¥630 Shipping ¥2,000 or more order in the Eligible for FREE Super Saver Shipping. Details
Off: ¥70 (10%)

In stock. Availability for:
This item is sold and shipped by Amazon.co.jp.
- Contents amount: 12 tablets

This product is Class 1 drug. It will be shipped after confirmation of proper use by the pharmacist.

Before purchasing, you will need to answer questions for the status of your users. Since the order is not confirmed until confirmation of the pharmacist is completed, the delivery date displayed may change. Also, please note that if the pharmacist judges that it is not proper use order will be canceled. The detailed flow of up to shipment of the product here. Please check in.
Amazon.co.jp also started selling category No. 1 drugs, which require consultation with a pharmacist before purchase, at its website from Monday.

Before placing orders, customers need to report their symptoms and medical history via a form on Amazon’s site. Items will only be delivered after approval by a pharmacist.
Compared with books, toys and other bulky items, the drugs market would appear to be a nirvana for Amazon.

Prescription medicines weigh almost nothing, take up little space and can cost hundreds or thousands of dollars per pill.

1,672 pounds. Free shipping.
Amazon Is Out of the Game for Now: Back to Business as Usual?

MAY 01, 2018

Troy Trygstad, PharmD, PhD, MBA, Pharmacy Times Editor-in-Chief

Last month, CNBC reported that Amazon is backing off plans for large-scale drug distribution and had been struggling to do business with hospitals. Additionally, Amazon has run into some infrastructure and logistical issues around specialized products, such as requiring refrigeration across the distribution infrastructure and special handling requirements—ironic, considering that Amazon is one of the world’s foremost logistics companies. Furthermore, most observers cited regulatory challenges and other barriers to entry that make disruption in the pharmacy sector difficult to achieve with minimal investment or over a short time. However, very few analysts think that Amazon’s retreat is permanent. The lure of a health care sector that exceeds $1 trillion in annual output is just too alluring for a company such as Amazon.
Amazon’s PillPack Deal Gives It Access to Sensitive Health Data

Amazon, master of shopping behavior, will now know prescriptions

Sharon Terlep  •  July 1, 2018 7:00 a.m. ET
Amazon’s purchase of PillPack gives it the ability to ship prescriptions to customers’ homes in 49 states.

It paid roughly $1 billion in cash for the company and beat out Walmart Inc. in the process, according to people familiar with the matter.
Amazon just hired a top Seattle doctor who ran a network of health clinics

Christina Farr • 6:12 PM ET Wed, 26 July 2017 | 01:22

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Amazon.com founder and CEO Jeff Bezos.

Amazon has hired a top Seattle doctor in its latest push into health care, according to two people familiar with the matter.

Martin Levine of Iora Health, which focuses on Medicare patients in six U.S. markets, is one of Amazon’s most high-profile hires to date in health. It’s not yet certain what Levine’s role at the company will be, said the sources, who asked not to be named because no announcement has been made.
Experience

**Seattle Market Medical Director**
Iora Health
2015 – Present • 3 yrs
Greater Seattle Area

Supervise primary care clinics serving Medicare patients in value-based, capitated arrangements in Shoreline, Central District, Renton, and Federal Way. Staff of ~45 comprised of physicians, nurses, health coaches, clinic managers, business staff, marketing and recruitment personnel. Lead performance in cost, quality, service, sustainability and joy of practice. Engaged in utilization management, health plan design, growth strategies, access systems, 5 Star, HEDIS, risk adjustment, relationship-based care.
One potential role for Levine at Amazon might be to investigate whether the company should invest in new forms of primary care for its own employees.

Whole Foods, which Amazon acquired last year, once explored getting into the health clinic space.
Hospital supplier shares dive as Amazon reportedly ramps up medical supply business

Tae Kim  3:32 PM ET Tue, 13 Feb 2018 | 01:09
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Amazon’s Impact on Transportation and Logistics

AMZN continues building its own logistics network past 2-3 years:
1) Deployed last-mile delivery in several US and European cities
2) Acquired 1000’s of truck trailers/hundreds of trucks
3) Building $1.5B Kentucky air hub to house its aircraft
4) Leased 40 B767 air freighters with the option to pick up equity stakes air lessors
5) Acquired ocean freight forwarding license
6) Building in-house freight mgmt tech platform/app
...Boosting Demand for Last Mile Warehouse Space that Increases Proximity to the Consumer

AMZN’s warehouse expansion represents over 10% of US warehouse leasing since 2010

Amazon’s leasing patterns have recently emphasized last-mile warehouses driving proximity to the consumer
Omnichannel Benefits from AMZN’s Acquisition of WFM; Warehouse Leasing to Accelerate as AMZN & Peers Compete to Increase Market Penetration

The race for space has likely escalated as AMZN will need to significantly increase their warehouse footprint if they want to increase market penetration.

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Next on Amazon's List?

Complexity vs. Frequency of Purchase

- Pharmaceutical Drugs
- Medical Supplies
## Digging Into Distribution

### Bespoke Products (B)
- Electrical: Wesco
- Healthcare Services & Distribution: McKesson

### Regulatory Hurdles (R)
- HVAC: Watsco
- Medical Supply: Owens & Minor, Performance Health

### Industry/Business Model (I)
- Facility MRO: HD Supply
- Pharmaceutical Supply Chain: CVS Health, Express Scripts

### Attention Post-Sale/Service Element (A)
- Industrial MRO: Grainger
- Medical Supply: Henry Schein

### Nuances/Complexities Behind Transaction (N)
- Healthcare Services & Distribution: McKesson

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**Most Protected**

**Most Exposed**
Basic Care medicines are anything but basic. In fact, they are basically everything you expect from name brands – except the branding.
Amazon is already undercutting prices on over-the-counter pills

Bloomberg

Walgreens and other pharmacy chains are feeling more pressure as Amazon undercuts their prices for store-brand drugs. (Charles Krupa / Associated Press)

As pharmacy chains await Amazon.com Inc.’s entry into the prescription-drug market, the online retail giant is already undercutting them for nonprescription medicine for aches, colds and allergies.

Median prices for over-the-counter, private-brand medicine sold by Walgreens Boots Alliance Inc. and CVS Health Corp. were about 20% higher than Basic Care, the over-the-counter drug line sold exclusively by Amazon, according to a report Friday by Jefferies Group analysts.
Amazon’s Latest Ambition: To Be a Major Hospital Supplier

The online retailer is pushing hard to expand its foothold in medical supplies, creating a marketplace where hospitals could shop to stock emergency rooms, operating suites and outpatient facilities.

Laura Stevens • Updated Feb. 13, 2018 7:05 p.m. ET
Amazon has invited hospital executives to its Seattle headquarters on several occasions, most recently in late January, to sound out ideas for expanding its business-to-business marketplace, Amazon Business, into one where hospitals could shop to stock outpatient locations, operating suites and emergency rooms, according to hospital executives who attended the meetings.
Chris Holt, leader of global health care at Amazon Business, said Amazon won’t look to imitate established models already used in the medical-distribution sector. “Our goal is to be something new,” he said. “We’ve been actively building out new capabilities and features” to simplify purchasing, he said.
Health care is "opaque with respect to pricing and how much players are compensated along the supply chain, so entrance by an e-commerce giant like Amazon could be a game changer," S&P Global analysts wrote in a recent report titled "U.S. Healthcare is 'prime' for change by Amazon and others."
Amazon is betting that those who buy supplies for medical practices -- as well as for educational and government offices -- will be comfortable shopping online. Its business site offers additional functions, such as allowing multiple users on a single account, requiring approvals from supervisors and enforcing spending limits. But it also allows users to quickly compare prices for a variety of vendors.

"We want to create an experience similar to the way people shop at home," said Lori Torerson, an Amazon spokeswoman.
Which health care providers will Amazon target first and most aggressively? Acute care, long-term care, urgent/emergency, or primary care?

Will Amazon try to be in the just in time business or in the keep the shelves full business? Will Amazon deliver several times a day and on demand or on a schedule dictated by FedEx, UPS or its Uber-style in-house delivery service?

What roles, if any, will group purchasing organizations play?

How will Amazon's deals with small chains and individual providers differ with how it serves HCA, etc.?
Amazon’s Advantages
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Amazon Prime Health Insurance?
Healthcare reform, increasing patient expectations, exponential data growth, and the threat of cyberattacks are forcing healthcare providers to re-evaluate their data management strategies. Healthcare providers are responding to these demands by leveraging AWS to enforce lifecycle management, employ cost effective, scalable storage and un-trap data for operational and quality insights.

Key design criteria for managing healthcare data should include:

- Flexible ingestion of data
- Storage for a variety of data types
- Data resiliency including backup and DR
- Ability to protect and secure critical data
- Provide and maintain HIPAA required audit controls
- Secure networking environment

In order to help customers, the following diagrams are reference architectures for managing healthcare data on AWS, including data ingestion and storage management using AWS services.
Hospitals are looking for the killer Amazon Alexa app

- Hospitals are tinkering with Alexa apps for things like safety checklists.
- They’d love to use it for documentation and transcription, but are currently hindered by the lack of HIPAA compliance.
- Investors are looking to fund the next hot Alexa app.

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October 2018

Filed patent for Alexa to detect colds & coughs
Amazon Transcribe
Automatic Speech Recognition powered by deep learning

Amazon Transcribe provides high-quality and affordable speech-to-text transcription for a wide range of use cases.
Amazon has a secret health tech team called 1492 working on medical records, virtual doc visits

- Amazon has a secret skunkworks lab called 1492, dedicated to health care tech.
- Areas of exploration include a platform for electronic medical record data, telemedicine and health apps for existing devices like the Amazon Echo.

Eugene Kim | Christina Farr
Published 5:30 PM ET Wed, 26 July 2017 | Updated 2:30 PM ET Thu, 27 July 2017
"Once news of 1492’s existence became known, Amazon took steps to erase all information confirming its existence..."
Team 1492 aims to perform following tasks:

Extracting and using data from Electronic Medical Records system and improve the algorithm to make it more efficient and useful.

To make the data available to the patients and doctors.

To build a platform for telemedicine so that patients can interact virtually with the physicians and specialists regarding their problems.

Exploring various medical applications of hardware like Echo and Dash Wand.

Developing skills for Amazon’s Alexa that can be used for healthcare as well.

Also, there is a possibility about the development of medical devices as well.
AWS Direct Connect joins growing list of HIPAA-eligible services from AWS!

Posted On: Mar 10, 2017

AWS has expanded its HIPAA compliance program to include AWS Direct Connect as a HIPAA Eligible Service. With the addition of Direct Connect, if you have an executed Business Associate Agreement (BAA) with AWS you can now transfer large amounts of data, including Protected Health Information (PHI), into and out of AWS in a cost-effective manner designed for your security. AWS Direct Connect offers several benefits for customers: it lowers bandwidth costs out of AWS (which is valuable for applications that have bulk data transfer requirements), it offers more consistent network performance over Internet-based connections for applications that require real-time data feeds, and it provides an alternative means to connect to the AWS cloud for customers who may have security or compliance policies that prevent VPN connectivity to the cloud.

Using Direct Connect to migrate data to AWS is a simple first step towards leveraging a full suite of cloud-based HIPAA Eligible Services for data life cycle management, such as Amazon S3 (excluding the use of S3 Transfer Acceleration), Amazon Glacier, and AWS database services. Read our whitepaper to learn more on how to configure AWS services to support your HIPAA applications.

If you already have an executed BAA with AWS and a Direct Connect connection into AWS, no action is necessary to begin using Direct Connect in the account(s) covered by your BAA. If you do not have an executed BAA with AWS or have any other questions about running applications on AWS that might be subject to HIPAA, please contact us and we will put you in touch with a representative from our team.
Amazon has long made HIPAA a priority

Architecting for HIPAA Security and Compliance on Amazon Web Services

January 2018

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Amazon Web Services exec: We're interested in longitudinal health records for analytics and pop health

The tech giant said the cloud can serve as a home for patient records and enable a broader view at medical data to fuel value-based care.
Amazon working with Cerner on pop health cloud platform

AWS will be working with the healthcare tech giant on its HealtheIntent platform to analyze clinical data and predict available treatments.

The cloud business arm of Amazon is expected to team with healthcare tech giant Cerner to help analyze clinical data and predict available treatments, according to reports.
Internal projectNERA

uses data from EMRs to
identify incorrect diagnosis
Cerner reportedly finalizing a new partnership with Amazon’s cloud service

by Evan Sweeney | Nov 27, 2017 11:57am
Triple Threat: Amazon, Berkshire, JPMorgan Rattle Health-Care Firms

The three giants’ envision using technology to cut costs and at one point discussed replacing their insurers and drug-benefit managers

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Amazon Letter to shareholders - 1997

To our shareholders:

Amazon.com passed many milestones in 1997: by year-end, we had served more than 1.5 million customers, yielding 838% revenue growth to $147.8 million, and extended our market leadership despite aggressive competitive entry.

But this is Day 1 for the Internet and, if we execute well, for Amazon.com. Today, online commerce saves customers money and precious time. Tomorrow, through personalization, online commerce will accelerate the very process of discovery. Amazon.com uses the Internet to create real value for its customers and, by doing so, hopes to create an enduring franchise, even in established and large markets.

We have a window of opportunity as larger players marshal the resources to pursue the online opportunity and as customers, new to purchasing online, are receptive to forming new relationships. The competitive landscape has continued to evolve at a fast pace. Many large players have moved online with credible offerings and have devoted substantial energy and resources to building awareness, traffic, and sales. Our goal is to move quickly to solidify and extend our current position while we begin to pursue the online commerce opportunities in other areas. We see substantial opportunity in the large markets we are targeting. This strategy is not without risk: it requires serious investment and crisp execution against established franchise leaders.

It's All About the Long Term

We believe that a fundamental measure of our success will be the shareholder value we create over the long term. This value will be a direct result of our ability to extend and solidify our current market leadership position. The stronger our market leadership, the more powerful our economic model. Market leadership can translate directly to higher revenue, higher profitability, greater capital velocity, and correspondingly stronger returns on invested capital.

Our decisions have consistently reflected this focus. We first measure ourselves in terms of the metrics most indicative of our market leadership: customer and revenue growth, the degree to which our customers continue to purchase from us on a repeat basis, and the strength of our brand. We have invested and will continue to invest aggressively to expand and leverage our customer base, brand, and infrastructure as we move to establish an enduring franchise.
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Amazon builds out “interfaces” for its employees (as well as those of Berkshire Hathaway and J.P. Morgan Chase, both digital and physical, to access basic healthcare needs; these sit in front of pharmacy benefit managers (PBM), insurance administrators, wholesale distributors and pharmacies.
Amazon starts building out infrastructure for those healthcare suppliers, requiring them to serve Amazon’s employees using a standard interface.
Amazon converts the latter into a marketplace where PBMs, insurance administrators, distributors, and pharmacies have to compete to serve employees. And then, once that marketplace is functioning, Amazon will open the floodgates on the demand side, offering that **standard interface** to every large employer in America.
Once an aggregator has gained some number of end users, suppliers will come onto the aggregator’s platform on the aggregator’s terms, effectively commoditizing and modularizing themselves. Those additional suppliers then make the aggregator more attractive to more users, which in turn draws more suppliers, in a virtuous cycle.
This means that for aggregators, customer acquisition costs decrease over time; marginal customers are attracted to the platform by virtue of the increasing number of suppliers. This further means that aggregators enjoy winner-take-all effects: since the value of an aggregator to end users is continually increasing it is exceedingly difficult for competitors to take away users or win new ones.
Amazon Kindle interface enabling thousands of authors
Compete or Augment?
Move 37

Move 78
IN TWO MOVES, ALPHAGO AND LEE SEDOL REDEFINED THE FUTURE
This isn't human versus machine. It's human and machine. Move 37 was beyond what any of us could fathom. But then came Move 78. And we have to ask:

If Lee Sedol hadn't played those first three games against AlphaGo, would he have found God's Touch? The machine that defeated him had also helped him find the way.
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