



# HealthTech|X Accelerator

*Launching Summer 2024*



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# Let's Talk HealthTech Innovation!

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On behalf of everyone at Tampa Bay Wave (WAVE), I want to thank you for the opportunity to bring this exciting new healthtech startup accelerator concept to Tampa Bay. Not only would launching a new nationally-recognized program in the region create another critically important resource for Tampa Bay's burgeoning tech ecosystem, but a healthtech-focused program would reinforce Tampa Bay's position as a vibrant hub for healthtech innovation. By attracting the attention of the national and global healthcare industry, this program can help to foster an even more dynamic ecosystem of startups and top-tier talent that are fueling the area's economic engine, magnifying the efforts of all the economic development partners through collaboration, cooperation, and creating important visibility for Tampa Bay.

WAVE has the expertise and resources required to make this vision a reality. Since 2013, WAVE has built a national reputation for its accelerator programs with 36 cohorts in 10 years, attracting over **1,000 applications** a year. To date, WAVE has supported well **over 500 startups** who collectively have raised more than **\$830 million** and created **5,000 jobs**. Our track record speaks for itself, with multiple liquidity events being generated from member companies (and many more in the making!), not to mention nearly two dozen startups who have relocated to the region because of our programs.

Thanks to a \$2 million federal grant from the U.S. EDA awarded to WAVE in October 2022, several critical partnerships for this program have already been established. WAVE and USF Center for Advanced Medical Learning & Simulation (CAMLs) formed a new and valuable partnership that will showcase their world-class facilities and capabilities through the new **HealthTech|X Accelerator\*** (\*working title). USF Research and Innovation, along with USF Health, also joined the partnership in November 2023.

The foundation we have built the past few years has put WAVE and the Tampa Bay technology community on track for explosive growth. With the addition of an exciting new accelerator program, the HealthTech|X Accelerator, our region's vision for Tampa Bay to be a nationally-recognized tech hub is within reach!

**Interested?** It's not too late. WAVE is actively seeking high caliber partners who are ready support our vision for this new program, so let's talk! We are interested in exploring exciting opportunities with you.

As USF President Rhea Law stated in October 2023 about this HealthTech|X Accelerator program and the exciting new USF partnerships, "We are BETTER together".

We appreciate your consideration, and we look forward to our next conversation.

With gratitude,



Linda Olson, CEO/Founder  
Tampa Bay Wave



# WAVE & USF Partnership Media Conference

On November 1, 2023, a media conference was held at USF CAMLS to announce that USF Research and Innovation and USF Health had officially partnered with Tampa Bay Wave for the new HealthTech|X Accelerator program. This announcement further expanded the USF partnership with Tampa Bay Wave's HealthTech|X Accelerator beyond the USF CAMLS partnership formed in 2022.



# HealthTech|X Accelerator

POWERED BY **EDA**  
U.S. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

Proudly announcing the HealthTech|X Accelerator, a cutting-edge program for high-potential healthtech startups. As Florida's top accelerator, Tampa Bay Wave has a rich history in supporting over 40 healthtech startups, including through our TechDiversity and LatinTech programs.

## Partnerships and Collaborations

Growing list of world-class healthcare and innovation partners including the University of South Florida (USF) Research & Innovation, USF Health, and USF CAMLS



## Selection Criteria

- Recruiting for the following categories of healthtech: digital health, AI, AR/VR, healthcare simulation, medical devices, and maternal/fetal healthcare innovation
- Participants will be recruited from across the U.S. and beyond, with preference given to Florida-based companies.
- Startups must have one or more founding members full-time on the business with a financial runway of 6 months minimum
- Market validation, such as paying customers, strongly preferred

## Benefits to Startups

Participating startups will experience WAVE's 90-day world-class accelerator programming in a non-competitive, collaborative environment, with access to WAVE's broader community of alumni, healthtech expert mentors, 500+ investor network, and regional industry leaders. Participants will also have access to hospital-grade medical facilities for testing, demos, and even collateral development.

The program will include both in-person and virtual sessions primarily hosted within the **Tampa Medical & Research District**.



No cost participation, no equity requirement.



One-on-one mentoring with tech founders and investors.



Access to an Advisory Council of industry experts.



Pitch coaching and investment readiness training.

## Long-Term Support

Tampa Bay Wave's unique accelerator model is designed to support the long-term growth of tech startups beyond startup stage, through Series A and B rounds and beyond. Participating companies will have access to ongoing support from Tampa Bay Wave after the 90-day program concludes.



# Goals & Plans

## Overall Program Goals

- Showcasing Tampa Bay's growing healthcare and healthcare innovation industries on a regional, national, and international stage through media coverage and various recruiting strategies.
- Fostering the growth of the region's healthcare technology cluster through meaningful engagement opportunities for local industry leaders and innovators.
- Recruitment and retention of high-growth potential healthtech startups within Florida's welcoming ecosystem
- Enhancing innovation and the spirit of entrepreneurship across Tampa Bay



## Proposed Timeline (2024)

Once commitments from all partners are secured, then an actual timeline can be finalized. Given that the best accelerator programs need several months of recruiting runway for best results, the following proposed timeline assumes commitments are secured on or around January 31, 2024:

<b>Feb-Mar</b>	Finalize program development and staffing, and program branding, plus selection of the dedicated HealthTech Advisory Council
<b>March 25</b>	Press Release to Announce Program & Open Applications
<b>Mar-May</b>	National Recruitment & Screening
<b>May 17</b>	Applications Close
<b>June 2</b>	Finalize Cohort Selection
<b>July 8-11</b>	Program Week 1 (on-site) with KickOff Event
<b>Aug 5-9</b>	Program Week 2 (on-site) with one or more networking events
<b>Sep 24-26</b>	Program Week 3 (on-site) with concluding Pitch Night event (200+ attendees).

At a minimum, the HealthTech|X Accelerator will run cohorts in 2024 and 2025. Future years will be determined if additional funding can be secured.

# HealthTech|X Partners

## Strategic Partners



## 2022 US EDA Grant Partners

### Corporate Financial Supporters

A-LIGN	BANK OF AMERICA
DTCC	ENCORE BANK
FLORIDA FUNDERS	FOLEY & LARDNER
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY	HILL WARD HENDERSON
KNOWBE4	SOURCETOAD
TAMPA BAY RAYS + ROWDIES	TAMPA BAY VENTURES
TRENAM LAW	360 ADVANCED

### Regional Healthcare Industry

ADVENTHEALTH
BAYCARE
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ORLANDO HEALTH
TAMPA GENERAL HOSPITAL
TGH INNOVENTURES

### Other Supporters + Donors

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ST. PETE CHAMBER			

# Become a Partner to Innovation!

## Benefits of Partnership

Tampa Bay Wave and its other HealthTech|X Accelerator partners want to talk to you! Together, we can further enhance this program in many different ways, including enhancements that will showcase your brand and expertise.

**Some of the benefits our accelerator partners can expect include:**

- Regional, National and International exposure of your brand in affiliation with healthcare innovation
- Early identification of healthcare technology industry trends and cutting-edge innovative technologies
- Meaningful engagement with early-stage healthtech companies through opportunities to have representation on WAVE's Mentor Network, Advisory Councils, speaking engagements, etc.
- Exposure to emerging technologies and business models that can impact your business
- Access to talent through the offering of internships and recruitment of startups and talent
- Networking opportunities, potential partnerships and brand visibility

Sponsorships can be tailored to meet your needs....from maximum exposure as a title-level sponsor to a variety of individual event or program sponsors (ex: Exhibition Hall sponsor for the HealthTech|X Accelerator Pitch Night). We can customize to maximize the return on your investment.

**FOUNDATIONAL (\$50K)**

**KEY (\$10-50K)**

**SUPPORTING (\$10K)**

**CONTRIBUTING (\$5K)**

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Tampa Bay Wave has been instrumental in LunaJoy's transformation. As part of one of their cohorts, we didn't just find resources; we discovered a community that nurtured our true company identity and culture. The entrepreneurial ecosystem in the Tampa Bay area is unique in its warmth and openness. Unlike other cities where isolation can prevail, Tampa Bay thrives on collaboration and support. This environment has been key in shaping not only our company's trajectory but also in reinforcing our commitment to innovation in women's health care.

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Shama Rathi, Co-Founder of  
**LunaJoy**



## Current Partners - About Us

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**Tampa Bay Wave**, Florida's #1 Accelerator, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit providing entrepreneurs with facilitated access to the resources, expertise, and capital they need to grow vibrant technology-based companies in Tampa Bay. Since March 2013, Tampa Bay Wave has supported more than 500 tech startups thanks to grant funding from the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) and the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), plus support from its economic development partners Hillsborough County and the City of Tampa. Tampa Bay Wave also receives support from individuals, corporations and foundations such as: A-LIGN, Bank of America, Encore Bank/STi, Delta Airlines/Virgin Atlantic Airlines, The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (DTCC), EY, Florida Blue, Florida Business Development Corporation, Florida Funders, Foley & Lardner, KnowBe4, Nielsen Foundation, Rays/Rowdies Foundation, Southwest Airlines, Tampa Bay Ventures, TECO, Truist Foundation, and Vinik Family Foundation. Tampa Bay Wave is a member of the Morrow (formerly Global Accelerator Network) network of accelerators. For more information, visit [www.tampabaywave.org](http://www.tampabaywave.org).

NOTE: WAVE takes zero (0) equity from the startups it supports.

## BY THE NUMBERS

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**500+**

Startups Since 2013



**\$830 Million**

Total Capital Raised



**5,000**

Jobs Created



**22**

Relocations to Tampa Bay



**36**

Accelerator Cohorts



**2,500**

Training Hours Provided Annually

# Current Partners - About Us



 **55**

Total HealthTech Startups Supported  
(47 Still Active, 1 Acquired)

 **49%**

Florida-based

 **91%**

Underrepresented Founders

 **\$240 Million**

Investment Capital Raised by HealthTech Companies

## Top Investors Include:



CardinalHealth™



GENERAL  CATALYST



SpringTide

 Combinator

 **\$9 Million**

SBIR Grant Funding

 **>1000**

Jobs Created and Retained

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Tampa Bay Wave has been a pivotal force in Future Cardia's journey, offering more than just mentorship and investment opportunities. As a member of one of their 2021 accelerator cohorts, I've experienced firsthand the power of a supportive community and a rich network of knowledgeable mentors and investors. This environment has not only fueled our growth but also positioned us within a vibrant, evolving tech scene. Tampa Bay Wave stands out, even among giants like Y Combinator and Stanford StartX, as a beacon for startups in Florida, making it an ideal launchpad for innovative health technology ventures like ours.

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Jaeson Bang,  
Founder & CEO of



**The University of South Florida**, a high-impact research university dedicated to student success and committed to community engagement, generates an annual economic impact of more than \$6 billion. With campuses in Tampa, St. Petersburg and Sarasota-Manatee, USF serves approximately 50,000 students who represent nearly 150 different countries. U.S. News & World Report has ranked USF as one of the nation's top 50 public universities for five consecutive years, and this year USF earned its highest ranking ever among all universities public or private. In 2023, USF became the first public university in Florida in nearly 40 years to be invited to join the Association of American Universities, a prestigious group of the leading universities in the United States and Canada. Through hundreds of millions of dollars in research activity each year and as one of the top universities in the world for securing new patents, USF is a leader in solving global problems and improving lives. USF is a member of the American Athletic Conference. Learn more at [www.usf.edu](http://www.usf.edu).





# Current Partners - About Us



**USF Research and Innovation** at the Tampa campus of USF is one of the nation's top public research university campuses and one of only 80 public research university campuses classified by the Carnegie Foundation as both a Doctoral University with "Very High Research Activity" and as a "Community Engaged" institution by the *Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education*. USF is among the top 15 U.S. public universities for granted U.S. patents according to the National Academy of Inventors (2023), and has ranked in the top 15 among American public universities for 10 consecutive years. The **USF Research Park**, located on the Tampa campus, provides an important, centrally located community environment for a growing number of startups, early stage companies, researchers and community partners. It houses both the Tampa Bay Technology Incubator (TBTI) and Student Innovation Incubator (SII), and it operates the Matching Grants Research Program for the Florida High Tech Corridor Council (The Corridor).



## Current Partners - About Us



**USF Health** is the partnership of the University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine, the College of Nursing, the College of Public Health, the Taneja College of Pharmacy, the School of Biomedical Sciences and the School of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Sciences, and USF Health's multispecialty physicians group. USF Health is an integral part of the University of South Florida, a high-impact, global research university dedicated to student success. USF Health's mission is to envision and implement the future of health. Our commitment is to improve the full spectrum of health, from the environment, to the community, to the individual. Together through talent and innovation, USF Health is integrating research, education and health care to reach our shared value - making life better.



**Charles (Charly) J. Lockwood**  
Executive Vice President, USF Health  
Dean, USF Health Morsani College of  
Medicine



### **USF in Water Street Tampa**

Morsani College of Medicine, Taneja College  
of Pharmacy & Heart Institute.



# Current Partners - About Us



## The University of South Florida's Center for Advanced Medical Learning and Simulation (CAMLS)

is one of the world's largest, free-standing simulation facilities exclusively dedicated to training healthcare professionals. CAMLS provides simulation experiences for educating students; training health care faculty in simulation education; and preparing health care professionals to acquire, maintain and enhance their clinical practice to meet today's workforce needs and improve patient care in Tampa Bay, Florida and around the globe. CAMLS is conveniently located in the heart of downtown Tampa, Florida and is open seven days a week to accommodate the numerous demands that challenge today's domestic and international healthcare providers and researchers. Opened in 2012, the CAMLS facility is a 90,000-square-foot, three-story facility that provides a state-of-the-art, high-fidelity clinical environment with 60,000 square feet dedicated to surgical skills labs, operating trauma suites, and patient exam rooms, plus more than 25,000 square feet of meeting and conference space. CAMLS specializes in providing a realistic training environment for **healthcare providers** and can replicate nearly any clinical/medical environment, including the use of virtual and human 'patients' (standardized patients) as well as testing resources.



### Haru Okuda, MD, FACEP, FSSH

CEO & Executive Director, USF Health Center for Advanced Medical Learning and Simulation, HPCC

Associate Vice President, Interprofessional Education and Practice,  
University of South Florida Health Professor,  
Morsani College of Medicine





# INITIAL HEALTHTECH|X ADVISORY COUNCIL

A special thank you to our initial Health|X Accelerator Advisory Council!

The council is comprised esteemed healthcare and technology experts, alongside other representatives from the program's funding and strategic partners. Our council selflessly contributes their time and expertise to the cohort companies, thereby playing a crucial role in ensuring their success. More experts will be added in 2024.



**Chuck Melendi Jr.**  
(Johnson & Johnson)

Healthcare Policy &  
Advocacy Director



**Craig Anderson**  
(BayCare Health System)

Director of Innovation



**Dr. Haru Okuda MD, FACEP, FSSH**  
(USF Health Center for Advanced  
Medical Learning and  
Simulation – CAMLS)

Executive Director



**Kirstie McCool**  
(GuideWell Innovation)

Executive Director



**Rachel Feinman**  
(Tampa General Hospital)

VP Innovation (TGH InnoVentures)

# LOCAL ECONOMIC IMPACT

BUILDING THE REGION'S TECH ECOSYSTEM

SINCE OUR PROGRAM LAUNCHED IN 2013

GUIDING ENTREPRENEURS FROM STARTUP TO UNICORN

ACCELERATING  
TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES

INSPIRING  
INNOVATION

CREATING A  
COLLABORATIVE ECOSYSTEM

SUPPORTING A BROAD RANGE OF EMERGING TECH

- AI
- EdTech
- Hospitality

- MedTech
- CyberTech
- FinTech

- IoT
- SaaS
- eCommerce

- HealthTech
- MarTech
- CleanTech

FOSTERING GREATER DIVERSITY & INCLUSION



**NOW 46%**

WOMEN FOUNDERS



**NOW 86%**

DIVERSE & UNDERREPRESENTED FOUNDERS



STARTUP FOUNDERS FROM  
**30** COUNTRIES SHOWCASED TAMPA  
AS AN INNOVATION HUB

LOCAL ECONOMIC IMPACT



**22**

COMPANIES RELOCATED TO TAMPA BAY



**1300**

HOTEL ROOMS



**450**

FLIGHTS THROUGH TPA

2022 WAVE ACCELERATOR PROGRAMS



**403**

TOTAL APPLICANTS



**11%**

APPLICANTS ACCEPTED  
(HIGHLY SELECTIVE)



**9.2**

NET PROMOTER SCORE

# In Case You Missed It....2023 HealthTech Showcase

On November 1, 2023, WAVE hosted its first-ever HealthTech Showcase event in downtown Tampa at USF CAMLS (Center for Advanced Medical Learning & Simulation) where the future of healthcare innovation was on display. Attendees were able to spend the afternoon at USF CAMLS:

- ❑ Enjoying tours of TGH CareCom and USF CAMLS world class simulation and training facilities
- ❑ Exploring the healthcare startup exhibition hall
- ❑ Networking with leading healthcare and healthcare innovation executives in the region
- ❑ Learning about the future of healthcare innovation from industry experts

The main event kicked off in the evening with opening remarks by **U.S. Representative Kathy Castor** and **City of Tampa Mayor Jane Castor**, followed by a riveting fireside chat with distinguished panelists from the Center for Advanced Medical Learning & Simulation (CAMLS), Foley & Lardner LLP, Tampa General Hospital, BayCare, and Accenture.

The event culminated with pitches from several of Wave's healthtech alumni startups who have cutting-edge healthcare technologies from AI-powered diagnostics to groundbreaking medical devices and transformative mental health solutions, and more.

**TAMPA BAY wave**

# HealthTech SHOWCASE

**NOVEMBER 1, 2023**  
**3:00 - 7:30 PM**

USF CAMLS Center For Advanced Medical Learning And Simulation  
124 South Franklin Street | Tampa, FL 33602

With  
U.S. Representative  
**Kathy Castor**  
14th District of Florida

With  
**Jane Castor**  
Mayor of the  
City of Tampa

**PANELISTS**

Dr. Haru Okuda MD  
FACEP FSSH  
USF Health

Nathaniel Lacktman  
Foley & Lardner LLP

Rachel Feinman  
Tampa General Hospital

William Walders  
BayCare

Dr. Richard Munassi, MD MBA  
Tampa Bay Wave

POWERED BY **EDA**

HOSTED AT: **CAMLS**  
Center for Advanced Medical Learning and Simulation



# HealthTech Showcase - Tours of USF CAMLS

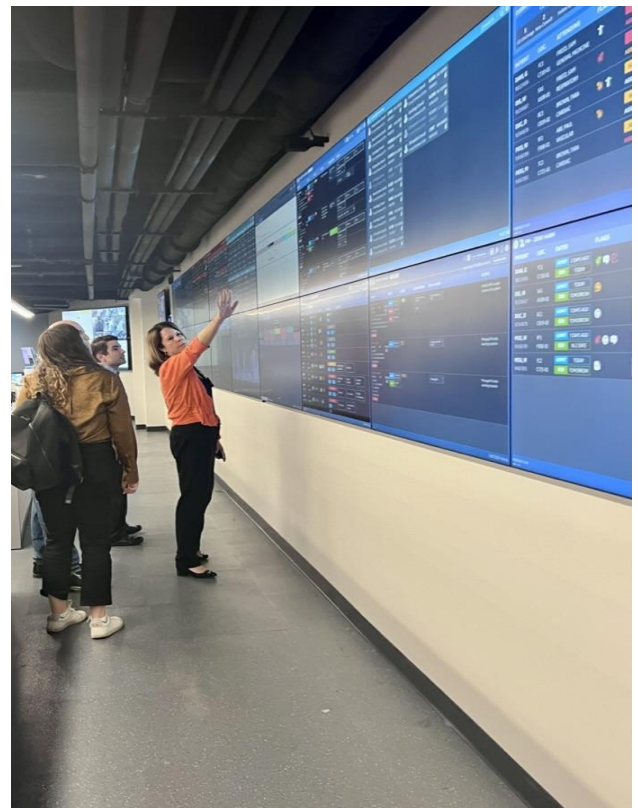


# HealthTech Showcase - TGH CARECOMM Tours

Background: On August 20, 2019, Tampa General Hospital, located within the heart of the *Tampa Medical and Research District*, officially launched a high-tech “mission control” clinical command center which uses artificial intelligence and predictive analytics to improve and better coordinate patient care at a lower cost. The hospital’s new center is called **TGH CareComm** and has been developed in partnership with GE Healthcare. It features 20 artificial intelligence apps, video walls with 38 large screens, 32 work stations, multiple computer systems, and a multi-disciplinary clinical team that includes doctors, nurses, and allied health professionals. CareComm staff use these resources to predict the needs of patients and team members before they arise. With CareComm, Tampa General can anticipate potential roadblocks and issues in the care process, ensuring that rooms, equipment and medical professionals will be available for patients as soon as they’re needed.



Tours provided by:  
**Jane Casey**  
TGH CareComm Vice President





# HealthTech Showcase - Exhibition & Networking





# HealthTech Showcase - Main Event

## U.S. Congresswoman Kathy Castor and City of Tampa Mayor Jane Castor Offer Welcome Remarks



# HealthTech Showcase - Main Event / Fireside Chat

## A Panel of Experts Discuss Digital Health Transformation



Panel Moderator: **Dr. Richard Munassi**, Tampa Bay Wave's Accelerator Managing Director.

Distinguished panelists included:

- **Dr. Haru Okuda**, CEO, USF Health Professions Conferencing Corp., & Executive Director of Center for Advanced Medical Learning & Simulation
- **Nate Lacktman**, Chair of Telemedicine & Digital Health Industry Team, Foley & Lardner LLP,
- **Rachel Feinman**, VP, Innovation, Tampa General Hospital
- **William Walders**, CIO, BayCare
- **Matt Durski**, Health Strategy Executive, Accenture.





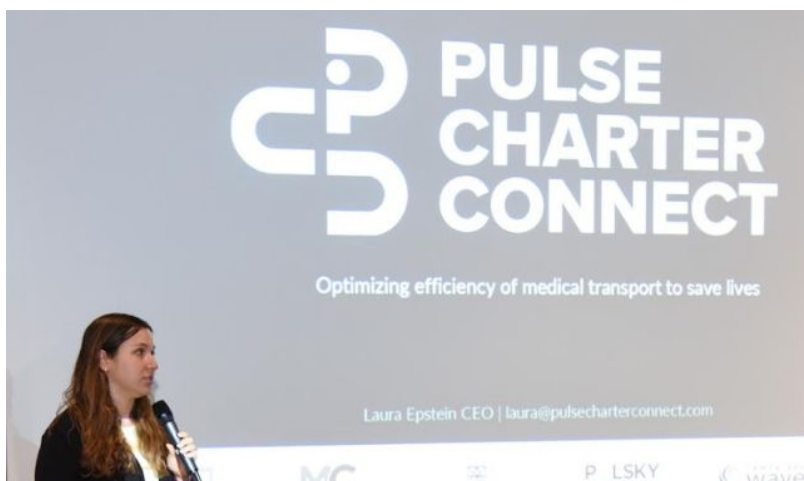
# HealthTech Showcase - Main Event / Startup Pitches

Throughout the 36 accelerator cohorts run by WAVE in the past 10 years, more than 40 HealthTech companies have participated, some of whom have grown beyond their initial startup stage to “growth stage”, delivering healthcare innovations across several sectors, including: medical devices, health apps, mental health, neuro, postpartum, weight loss, smoking cessation, neurodiversity support and more.



## HealthTech Startups Who Pitched at the 2023 HealthTech Showcase:

- **Articulate Labs** - physical mobility
- **Pulse Charter** - organ transport
- **CareVale** - health insurance marketplace transparency
- **Venture** - health insurance for businesses
- **Canopie** - maternal mental healthcare
- **RxLive** - last mile prescription delivery
- **KodaHealth** - proactive healthcare planning/documentation/directives
- **Future Cardia** - heart valves
- **Maya AI** - artificial intelligence for data analytics/diagnosing
- **NeuroEM** - alzheimer's disease prevention





# HealthTech Showcase - Main Event / Startup Pitches



# HealthTech Showcase Companies - Descriptions

## Improving access to healthcare, healthcare delivery and addressing mental health

### **Articulate Labs** (Dallas, TX)

Medical device start-up using adaptive, motion-sensitive NMES to treat and rehabilitate osteoarthritic knees.

Website: [articulatelabs.com](http://articulatelabs.com)

### **Canopie** (Washington DC)

Simple and practical mental health support for mothers.

Website: [canopie.org](http://canopie.org)

### **CareValet** (Tampa, FL)

CareValet is a digital healthcare platform that includes 24/7, 365 telemedicine access, in network physician appointment setting and much more to simplify the consumer healthcare experience.

Website: [carevalet.com](http://carevalet.com)

### **Future Cardia** (Tampa, FL)

Future Cardia is developing an Insertable Cardiac Device to monitor Heart Failure progression and prevent Heart Failure hospitalization, a \$21B problem. This device will monitor Heart Failure progression by analyzing trending changes in heart sounds and heart rhythms (ECG) with a cloud-based pattern recognition (machine learning) for 3 years.

Website: [futurecardia.com](http://futurecardia.com)

### **Koda Health** (Houston, TX)

Koda Health is a B2B Enterprise solution serving health systems and payors focused on driving equity of access in serious illness. We digitally guide patients through the process of proactive healthcare planning, auto-generating legal documents that protect patient's care and virtually notarizing these documents at no cost to patients.

Website: [kodahealthcare.com](http://kodahealthcare.com)

### **LunaJoy** (St. Petersburg, FL)

LunaJoy is a digital care clinic for women through the lifespan: puberty, pregnancy, postpartum, infertility, miscarriage, perimenopause. We provide in-network therapy, medication management, and coaching.

Website: [hellolunajoy.com](http://hellolunajoy.com)

# HealthTech Showcase Companies - Descriptions

## Improving access to healthcare, healthcare delivery and addressing mental health

### **Maya Ai** (Tampa, FL)

Maya is a market intelligence engine for data teams. She continuously learns & provides the most marginal opportunities from market shifts.

Website: [meetmaya.world](https://meetmaya.world)

### **NeuroEM** (Tampa, FL)

A medical device company committed to developing, clinically testing, and marketing Transcranial Electromagnetic Treatment (TEMT) in the Radio Frequency spectrum – also known as TRFT – to effectively prevent and treat Alzheimer’s disease and other neurodegenerative diseases and extend healthy longevity.

Website: [neuroem.com](https://neuroem.com)

### **Pulse Charter Connect** (Chicago, IL)

Pulse Charter Connect (PCC) digitizes an antiquated logistics system used by transplant centers, facilitating faster, safer, and more efficient transportation for organs and surgical teams. Their software aims to improve long-term outcomes for transplant recipients through data collection and artificial intelligence.

Website: [pulsecharterconnect.com](https://pulsecharterconnect.com)

### **RxLive** (St. Petersburg, FL)

RxLive is a concierge telehealth service that connects patients and expert clinical pharmacists in a secure, private and personal way.

Website: [rxlive.com](https://rxlive.com)

### **Venteur** (Berkeley, CA)

Venteur is an AI-powered benefits marketplace that enables businesses to give their employee better health insurance for less money. Instead of offering a traditional group health insurance plan, businesses are able to provide their employees with tax-free money to buy health insurance.

Website: [venteur.co](https://venteur.co)



# WAVE SPONSORS & PARTNERS

## Constantly Growing Support Network

Wave has a growing list of national, regional and local sponsors and supporters who are helping to fuel our mission to support innovation, entrepreneurial-led economic development, and the growth of Tampa Bay's technology community.

We are eternally grateful for the support we receive from our Economic Development partners at **Hillsborough County** and the **City of Tampa**. We are also thankful for our other generous supporters representing a mix of generous individuals, private foundations, as well as corporate sponsors who contribute either directly through their business units or through their foundations to underwrite programming and scholarships.

Through strategic partnerships (such as with the University of South Florida) and multi-county regional coalitions (primarily Hillsborough, Pasco and Pinellas), Wave also has secured ten (10) federal grants in the last decade, including \$2.4 million in **U.S. EDA** grants in 2022 and 2023, as well as \$500,000 from the **U.S. SBA** in 2023 to support our new LatinTech Accelerator.

We could not deliver on our mission without the cooperation, collaboration and advocacy of all our supporters and partners!.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS

### Federal Support



U.S. Small Business  
Administration

### Economic Development Partners



# WAVE SPONSORS & PARTNERS (cont.)

## Pillars of Innovation



## Tidal Wave Sponsors



## Corporate Friends of Wave



## Partners



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CEO & Founder



**Jay Powers**  
COO



**Dee Garcia**  
Director of Development &  
Strategic Partnerships

## PROGRAMS TEAM

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**Dr. Richard Munassi**  
Accelerator Managing  
Director



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Sr. Mgr, National Programs  
and Partnerships



**Prathyusha Pappi Reddy**  
Accelerator Associate

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Manager, Mentor  
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