

DC To VC: An Inside Look At The Winners Of Morgenthaler's Health Tech Startup Showcase



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Last week, [Morgenthaler Ventures \(http://www.crunchbase.com/financial-organization/morgenthaler-ventures-2\)](http://www.crunchbase.com/financial-organization/morgenthaler-ventures-2), the 40-year-old Sand Hill Road VC firm wrapped up its [“DC to VC Startup Showcase” \(http://www.youtube.com/user/MorgenthalerDCtoVC11?feature=mhee\)](http://www.youtube.com/user/MorgenthalerDCtoVC11?feature=mhee), a nationwide contest geared towards finding the most promising young health tech startups. From nearly 200 applicants, the pool was whittled down to eleven finalists, which presented to an invite-only crowd of VCs, angel investors and entrepreneurs. The companies were then categorized according to whether they were seeking seed funding or looking to raise their series A.

The live audience of over 350 health tech enthusiasts, as well as those watching on live stream, put the finishing touch on the months-long competition, selecting the winners (after commentary from a panel of VC and entrepreneurial judges). The winner of the seed round contest was [EyeNetra \(http://www.evenetra.com\)](http://www.evenetra.com), an affordable, mobile diagnostic tool for our eyes, and [Jiff Inc \(https://www.jiff.com/\)](https://www.jiff.com/) (a recent TechCrunch Disrupt finalist) took top prize in the series A flight with its HIPAA-compliant iPad platform for patient communication and education.

Of course, while there were two winners, the DC to VC audience chose from a group of strong finalists. For more on those finalists, check out the quick blurbs below as well as the video of presentations at the end.

Seed Finalists:

[Careticker \(http://careticker.com/\)](http://careticker.com/) is the world's first platform that helps patients plan in advance for a hospital or outpatient procedure.

[Skimble \(http://www.skimble.com/\)](http://www.skimble.com/) powers the mobile wellness movement with a cross-platform ecosystem of fun and dynamic coaching applications. Its latest title, Workout Trainer, ranks Top 10 in the free Healthcare & Fitness category on iPhone/iPad.

[SurgiChart \(http://www.surgichart.com/surgiweb/home.htm\)](http://www.surgichart.com/surgiweb/home.htm) is a mobile, cloud-based, social-clinical network for surgeons to exchange relevant perioperative, case-centric information.

[TeleThrive \(http://www.telethrive.com/\)](http://www.telethrive.com/) provides patients an instant connection to doctors for a medical consultation using any telephone or computer with complete audio and video conferencing.

[Viewics \(http://www.viewics.com/\)](http://www.viewics.com/) provides hospitals with cloud-based analytics and business intelligence solutions which enable them to drive enhanced operational, financial and clinical outcomes.