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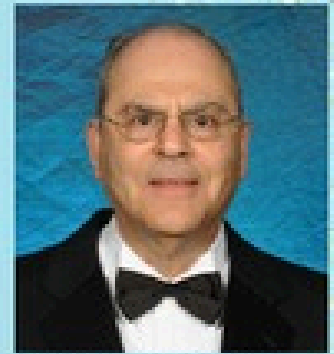
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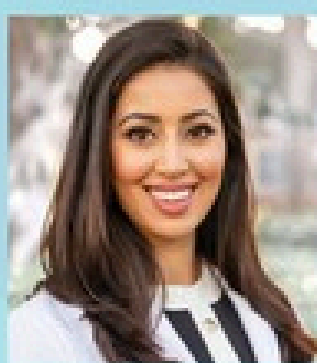
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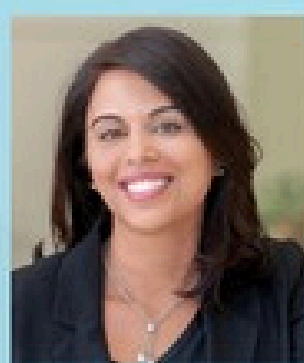
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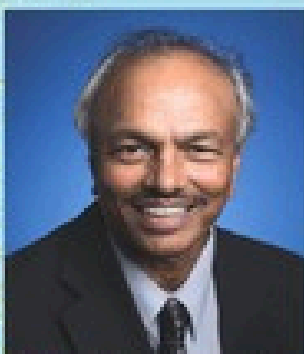
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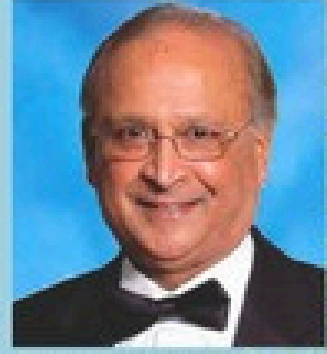
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*I am excited to be celebrating 30 Years of BIMDA. An organization that started as a small dinner club in 1996 at The Clarion Hotel in Merritt Island, has evolved into a premiere medical organization serving the interests of 250 plus Indian-American Physicians and Dentists.*

*Over the past three decades, BIMDA has been instrumental in providing over One Million Dollars of support to deserving medical and educational institutions, disaster relief causes, charitable and cultural causes and more.*

*We continue to bring the latest advances in medicine through our nationally known speakers. All this is possible due to a seasoned leadership that works tirelessly to bring at least one excellent program to you every year. Less is more. Quality over quantity. We are on a mission.*

*I am proud to be the Finance Chair for BIMDA since 2004, helping to make the organization financially secure. I take this opportunity to thank all our supporters who believe in our mission. I also want to thank each and every Founder, Past President of BIMDA and their Executive Committee leadership for the past three decades. This would not be possible without you. You are our true heroes.*

*BIMDA is grateful to George Mikitarian, CEO of Parrish Medical Center and Terry Forde, CEO of Health First for their visionary leadership and partnership with BIMDA.*

*Thank you for your support. May God bless America.*

Sincerely,

**Ashok C. Shah, MD**

Chairman, Governing Body of BIMDA

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**Three decades of brilliance, leadership and community engagement.**

*It brings me great joy to celebrate our thirtieth anniversary since the pioneering days at Raj Rahil's 'Clarion Hotel' in Merritt Island, FL, circa 1996. Our Late President Dr. Mukesh C. Aggarwal, 2003 Co-Chair at The AAPI National Convention in Orlando, is proudly watching from above. The early days bring back memories with Dr. Mahesh Soni, Founding President and Dr. Subhash Rege, Founder. The three of us were inseparable, traveling across the State of Florida, promoting BIMDA and AAPI with Dr. Kiran C. Patel of Tampa, Cardiologist and Philanthropist.*

*In 2002, the visionary Dr. Kanti Bhalani catapulted BIMDA to the next level with the advent of The First BIMDA Medical Expo. Also in 2002, we formed our first partnership with local Health Systems with the support of George Mikitarian, CEO Parrish Medical Center, and Mike Means, CEO Health First. In 2002, Dr. Ashok Shah emerged as the leading financial influencer, gathering wide support from Pharmaceutical and Medical supporters. The rest is history.*

*I am proud to be a Founder, giving the group strategic vision since 1996, working in close collaboration with each and every President of BIMDA since inception. I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge The Indian Association of the Space Coast 'IASC' that gave groups like BIMDA the opportunity to spin off and grow.*

*The last decade has been defined by the Dentists namely Dr. N. Rao Kopuri and Dr. Subhash Rege. Along with Dr. Homi Cooper, they have been a powerful trio working closely with the Executive Leadership Team. Last but not least, please read about the **BIMDA Legacy of Scholarships** in this book. May God always watch over BIMDA and bring us everlasting unity and strength to carry on his work.*

Sincerely,  
**GLAD KURIAN**  
Founder, BIMDA  
Honorary Executive Director



## BIMDA 2026 Endowment Scholarships



**BIMDA is pleased to announce a Gift of \$50,000 today to UCF College of Medicine Endowment.**

BIMDA Scholarships are a long-term commitment. A legacy lasts a lifetime. We have six educational endowments with the above foundations, funded with a total of \$220,000 in 2023 & 2024. Today's gift brings the total to \$270,000 in Gifts to Scholarship Endowments post-pandemic.

Each endowment needs much more in funds to build up a capital base that is large enough to spin off interest and dividends to support annual scholarships. The principal amount is not to be invaded. Only earnings are to be used for annual scholarships.

***Members may also donate in 'Honor of a Family Member' and join with BIMDA to form additional scholarships in collaboration with a Foundation of their choice.***

Each Foundation will write a tax-deductible receipt directly to donors. Donors are assured of a commitment to education from both BIMDA and the Member who joins us as a '**Partner in Philanthropy**'. Suggested Donations can be any amount starting at \$1000.

***What better way to memorialize BIMDA's Legacy! Education is the best investment. It is an investment in the Future of Medicine, Dentistry, Health Sciences and STEM.***

*Glad Kurian*



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*HealthFirst*

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**MEDICAL EXPO & CONFERENCE**

*8am - Registration & Breakfast*

*9am - 1:30pm - Medical Conference*

*12 - Noon - Lunch*

**CHAMPAGNE RECEPTION**

**5PM - 7PM**

**DINNER GALA**

**7PM - 11PM**

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# Stronger Together for Better Health

Congratulations BIMDA on 30 years of excellence! By uniting healthcare leaders, fostering collaboration, and promoting education, BIMDA has been instrumental in strengthening Brevard County's healthcare community and enhancing patient care.

We are proud of our longstanding partnership and support making possible community health initiatives and healthcare quality advancements for which BIMDA has solidified its reputation as a cornerstone of the Brevard health community.

Congratulations on this significant milestone of advancing health and collaborative connections.

**– George Mikitarian, DHA, FACHE  
President/CEO**



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# *HealthFirst*

Dear Community Partners,

Thank you for the work you do each day to care for our community.

Health First is proud to stand alongside BIMDA as a co-presenting sponsor, united in our shared purpose—to improve the health and wellness of the communities we serve. That mission comes to life through you and the care you provide.

Strong communities are built on partnership. On trust. On a shared commitment to doing what's right for those we serve. Your compassion, dedication, and pursuit of excellence make a meaningful difference in the lives of so many.

More than a gathering—this is a reflection of what's possible when we come together in service of others.

Thank you for your partnership and for the vital role you play in strengthening the health of our community.

With gratitude,



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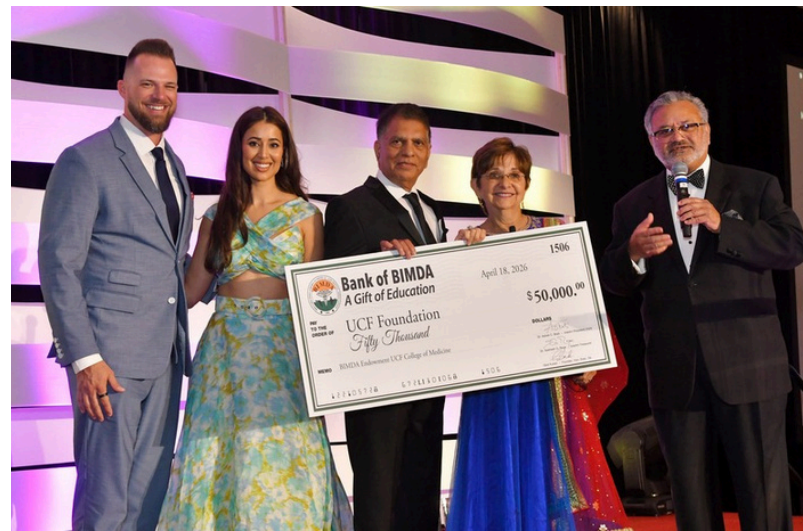
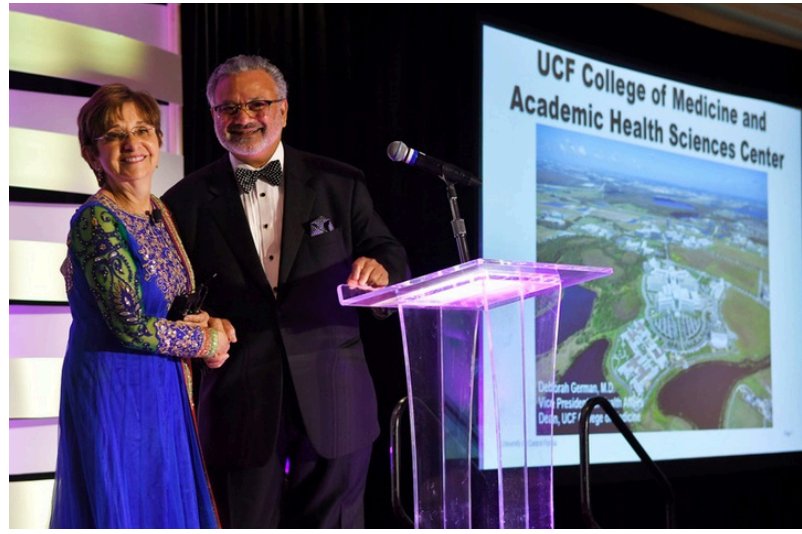
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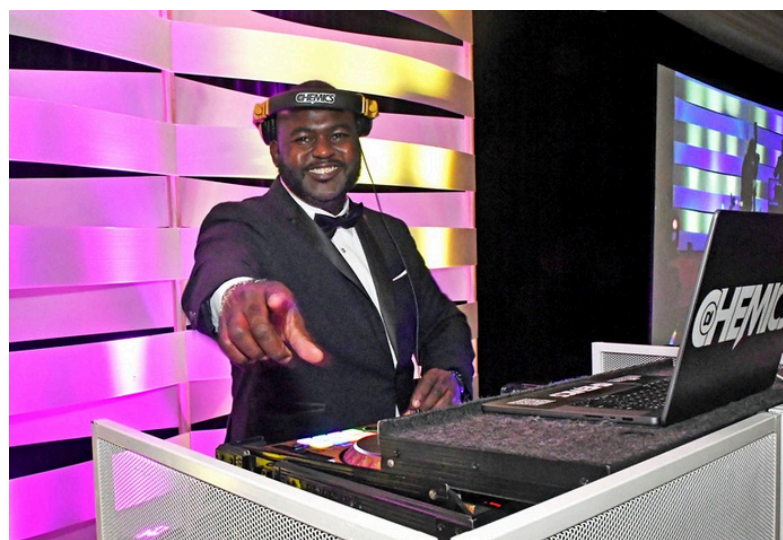
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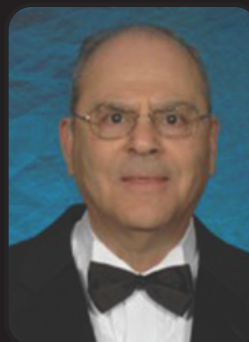
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## 2026 MORNING AGENDA

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8am - Registration & Breakfast

*exhibitor hall opens*

9am Medical Conference Begins

- 9am: **Advances in Artificial Intelligence (AI)** Dr. John Gachago, Parrish Medical
- 9:30 **The Future of Colon and Rectal Care in Brevard**, Dr. Jaime Sanchez, Health First
- 10am **Advances in Pulmonary Embolism Care**, Dr. Andre Gabriel, Parrish Medical
- 10:30 *Visit Exhibitors*
- 11am **Diversity in Plastic Surgery Today**, Dr. Jeffrey Caplan, Health First
- 11:30 *Lunch Break/ Dance Performance*
- 12pm Door Prize Giveaway
- 12:10 **Agentic AI in Healthcare: Reducing Clinical Administrative Burden at Scale**,  
Dr. Rakesh Sharma & Chief Product Officer, Srividya Sundaramurthy, Coligo Med.
- 1pm **Advancing Vascular Care: Dissolvable Stents for Below-the-Knee Arterial  
Disease**, Dr. Mahmoud Barbarawi, Parrish Medical

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## EVENING AGENDA

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5PM - CHAMPAGNE RECEPTION

7PM *Dinner Gala*

- Keynote Speaker -

*Dr. Deborah C. German, MD*

*Founding Dean UCF College of Medicine*

*Dinner Catered By: Flavors of India*

*Dance Program By: Heather's Dance Studio*

*DJ & Giant Dance Robot Performance*

11PM EVENING ENDS

*If you are interested in joining BIMDA for the Reception & Gala, please contact:*

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# *Welcome Gala* *Keynote Speaker*

**Dr. Deborah C. German, M.D.**  
Founding Dean, UCF College of Medicine

Dr. Deborah German is Vice President for Health Affairs and Founding Dean of the University of Central Florida College of Medicine. Created in 2006 to expand Central Florida's economy, the medical school was the first in U.S. history to provide full, four-year scholarships to every student in its Charter Class. Dr. German built a team of over 900 faculty and staff, led construction of a new medical campus and opened UCF Lake Nona Hospital and UCF Lake Nona Cancer Center. She established a new Academic Health Sciences Center, a multi-specialty clinical practice, and 48 residency and fellowship programs across Florida.

Before coming to UCF, Dr. German served as President and Chief Executive Officer at Saint Thomas Hospital in Nashville and was a Petersdorf Scholar in Residence at the Association of American Medical Colleges. Previously she served as Associate Dean for Students and Senior Associate Dean of Medical Education at Vanderbilt University and Associate Dean of Medical Education at Duke University.

Dr. German has received numerous awards for leadership, community service and teaching, including the Local Legend of Medicine in the National Library of Medicine, American Medical Women's Association Presidential Award, the Alma Dea Morani Renaissance Woman in Medicine Award, University of Rochester's Hutchison Medal, Transformational Leader Award by the Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine program, Central Floridian of the Year, and multiple years listed among the 50 Most Powerful People in Orlando.



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# Parrish Healthcare Proudly Presents: Advances in Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Join John Gachago, BSBA, MS,AIMP, DHA,Vice President of Digital Innovation at Parrish Healthcare for an engaging and informative discussion on how the latest advances in artificial intelligence (AI) are reshaping the future of healthcare.

## About Dr. Gachago

*Dr. Gachago is a digital innovation leader with more than 30 years of experience advancing technology-driven solutions in healthcare. As a key driver of digital transformation at Parrish Healthcare, he leads initiatives that enhance patient and visitor experiences across the organization's digital platforms. Dr. Gachago specializes in telehealth, mobile health technologies, healthcare IT, and artificial intelligence in healthcare, focusing on people-centered digital health strategies that improve access, efficiency, and quality of care.*



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# The future of colon and rectal care in Brevard.

Join Dr. Jaime Sanchez, colon and rectal surgeon, at the BIMDA Conference for an insightful session on the future of colon and rectal care in Brevard. This talk is designed for healthcare professionals who want to expand their understanding of advanced treatment options and evolving approaches in colon and rectal care.

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### About Dr. Jaime Sanchez

Dr. Sanchez is a board-certified colon and rectal surgeon who earned his Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of South Florida College of Medicine. He completed his general surgery residency and fellowship training in colon and rectal surgery at the University of South Florida.

Dr. Sanchez specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of a wide range of colon and rectal conditions, including inflammatory bowel disease, colon and rectal cancer, and complex anorectal disorders. He has extensive experience in advanced surgical procedures and minimally invasive techniques, with a focus on delivering thoughtful, patient-centered care.

Don't miss this opportunity to gain valuable insight about your patient's care.



# Parrish Healthcare Proudly Presents:

## Advances in Pulmonary Embolism Care

Join Andre Gabriel, MD,RPVI, FACC,an interventional cardiologist at Parrish Healthcare, for an informative discussion about advances in pulmonary embolism focusing on early screening, emerging treatment options and the importance of proper follow-up care to prevent recurrence and improve recovery.

### **About Dr. Gabriel**

*Dr. Gabriel is an interventional cardiologist with training in all aspects of vascular disease including coronary and peripheral interventions. He is board-certified in internal medicine, interventional cardiology, cardiovascular disease, echocardiography and nuclear cardiology. He has earned the distinguished title of Registered Physician in Vascular Interpretation. During his extensive training, Dr. Gabriel has received multiple teaching awards, presented at national meetings, and published numerous research articles in cardiology journals.*



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# Diversity in plastic surgery today.

Join Dr. Jeffrey Caplan, plastic surgeon, at the BIMDA Conference for an insightful session on diversity in plastic surgery today. This talk is designed for healthcare professionals who want to expand their understanding of the evolving field of plastic surgery and its role in patient care.



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### About Dr. Jeffrey Caplan

Dr. Caplan is a board-certified plastic surgeon. He earned his Doctor of Medicine degree from St. George's School of Medicine in Grenada. He completed his Hand and Microsurgery Fellowship at the Buncke Clinic/California Pacific Medical Center–Davies Campus in San Francisco, California, along with his Microsurgery Fellowship at Eastern Virginia Medical Center in Norfolk, Virginia. He completed his Plastic Surgery Residency at the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, Mississippi, and his General Surgery Residency at Albert Einstein–Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx, New York. Dr. Caplan is committed to delivering exceptional surgical care and treating his patients with attention, respect, and understanding.

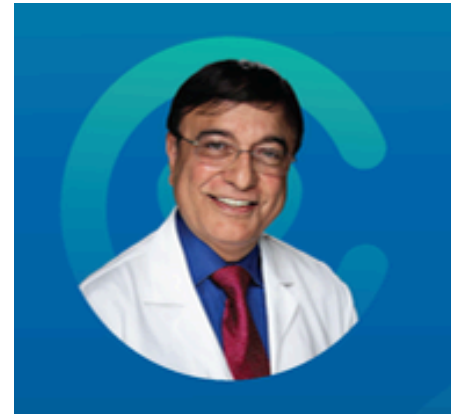
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## Dr. Rakesh Sharma

### Interventional Cardiology and Cardiology

*Role: Chairman of ColigoMed Advisory Board*

Dr. Rakesh K. Sharma, MD, FACC, FSCAI, FSCCT, is a highly accomplished interventional cardiologist with decades of clinical, academic, and leadership experience across leading cardiovascular centers in the United States, including BayCare Medical Group, Morton Plant Hospital, and Mease Countryside Hospital. Over his career he has served in multiple senior roles such as Director of Cardiovascular Intensive Care, Director of Cardiac Catheterization Laboratories, Director of Chest Pain Centers, Chief of Medicine, and Chief of Medical Staff, spearheading programs in interventional cardiology, STEMI care, and chest pain accreditation.



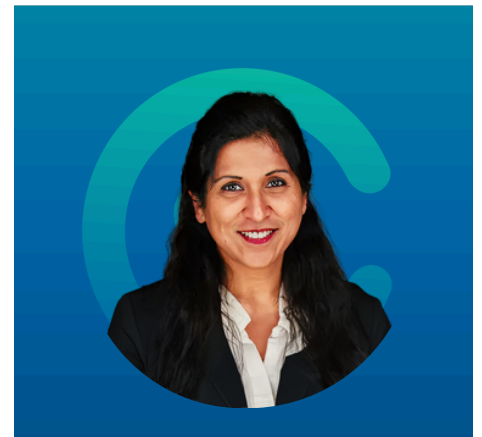
Dr. Sharma has combined high-volume clinical practice with teaching appointments, progressing from Associate Adjunct Clinical Professor to Clinical Professor at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, and earlier serving as a Clinical Associate in the Division of Cardiology at the Cleveland Clinic. His expertise spans complex coronary interventions, cardiac catheterization, electrophysiology, cardiovascular program development, and quality and compliance initiatives, and he is widely recognized for building and leading high-performing heart and vascular institutes and multidisciplinary cardiovascular teams.

## Srividya Sunderamurthy

### Chief Product Officer

*Role: Managing product strategy & execution of ColigoMed platform*

Srividya Sunderamurthy is a visionary product leader and the Co-founder and CPO of ColigoMed, where she specializes in taking AI-first healthcare solutions from 0 to 1. With a career forged at industry titans including KPMG, eBay/PayPal and Feedzai, Srividya excels at transforming complex business problems into scalable, revenue-generating solutions.



At ColigoMed, she has architected a platform that leverages Agentic AI to reduce clinical administrative overhead and supports care coordination for over 300,000 patients. A product exec experienced in high-stake regulated industries, she previously drove 200% growth at Guardian Analytics (now part of NICE Actimize) and led their AML flagship product at Feedzai (a recent unicorn). Srividya is a recognized authority on bridging the gap between deep-tech innovation and human-centric design to drive measurable clinical and commercial impact.

# Parrish Healthcare Proudly Presents:

## Advancing Vascular Care: Dissolvable Stents for Below-the-Knee Arterial Disease

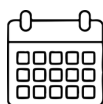
Join Mahmoud Barbarawi, MD, an interventional and endovascular cardiologist at Parrish Healthcare, for an informative discussion about advancements in vascular care using the Esprit™ BTK Everolimus-Eluting Resorbable Scaffold System, a dissolvable stent specifically engineered to treat chronic limb-threatening ischemia.

### ***About Dr. Barbarawi***

*Dr. Barbarawi's expertise lies in interventional cardiology, vascular medicine and endovascular intervention. He provides specialized care for patients with cardiac disease as well as venous and arterial peripheral vascular disease. He has made significant contributions to more than 60 research publications and has presented numerous interventional cardiology articles at national conferences.*



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**INDIAN CLASSICAL DANCE PERFORMANCE**

**PUSHPANJALI**

Pushpanjali is a traditional opening piece in classical dance where dancers offer flowers as a mark of respect to God, guru, and the audience

**Performers:**

- Aamani Gankidi
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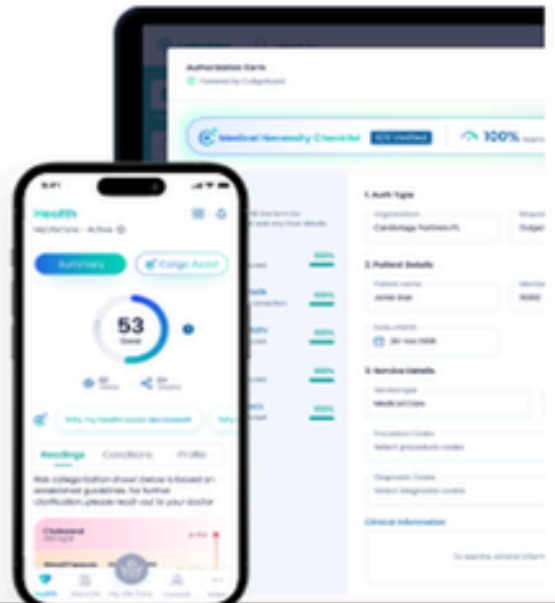
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