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AI-POWERED GROWTH FOR HEALTHCARE

Pitch Deck Framework

With Red Zone™ Tips for AI Startup Founders

Intro: What This Is (and What It Isn't)

Most pitch decks sound great—until the first investor or health system asks, "What about compliance? What's your clinical validation plan?"

This guide helps you build a pitch that holds up under pressure. It's built specifically for **healthtech and healthcare AI founders**, using the same frameworks we've used to help startups land pilots, close $3M+ rounds, and avoid costly regulatory missteps.

What you'll get:

- **A clear 10-slide pitch structure that balances vision with credibility**
- **Common pitfalls to avoid**
- **Red Zone™ tips to boost your investor and enterprise buyer readiness**

Let's build a deck that works in the real world–not just in demo day rooms.

The 10-Slide Framework

1. The Problem (Make It Painful)

Show them the pain—and why it's urgent now.
Red Zone™ Tip: Include 1–2 stats that scream urgency (e.g., "X% of radiologists burn out due to documentation burden").

2. The Solution (Make It Simple)

What is your product? What does it do? Who uses it?
Red Zone™ Tip: No feature dumps. Show the before/after impact in workflow or outcomes.

3. Market Opportunity

Back it up with data—realistic TAM/SAM/SOM.
Red Zone™ Tip: Investors love vertical focus. "We're starting with ambulatory cardiology" is stronger than "all of healthcare."

4. Clinical Validation & Outcomes

This is where 90% of AI decks fall apart.
Show what you've validated (or plan to), with who, and how.
Red Zone™ Tip: Include metrics from pilots or shadow mode, and a quote or NPS stat from a clinician if you've got one.

5. Regulatory & Risk Strategy

Don't make them ask. Show awareness of HIPAA, FDA, CMS.
Red Zone™ Tip: Even a 1-slide timeline of anticipated filings/clearances sets you apart.

6. Go-to-Market & Buyer Strategy

Who pays for this? Who uses it? Who decides to buy it?
Red Zone™ Tip: Show you've mapped to real-world buying processes (e.g., "IT lead + CMIO signoff at midsize hospital").

7. Competitive Landscape

Position your startup relative to what exists now.
Red Zone™ Tip: Avoid buzzwords like "no competitors." Instead: "We outperform in XYZ use case + already meet compliance thresholds they don't."

8. Business Model & Revenue Strategy

SaaS? Per-encounter? Risk-sharing?
Red Zone™ Tip: Include reimbursement pathways if relevant (CMS codes, NTAP, value-based care alignment).

9. Team

Highlight clinical, regulatory, and operational firepower—not just dev talent.
Red Zone™ Tip: Advisory boards with MDs or former CMIOs = major credibility boost.

10. The Ask

How much are you raising? What will it fund?
Red Zone™ Tip: Tie funding directly to milestone de-risking (e.g., "This raise gets us FDA 510(k) filing + first 2 hospital pilots").

Common Mistakes (and How to Avoid Them)

Mistake #1: Tech-Frist Decks with Zero Clinical Reality

Why It Fails:

Investors and health systems don't just care about what your AI does—they care how it fits into care delivery.

Fix It:

Include one real-world clinical workflow (even hypothetical) showing where your solution fits, who uses it, and how it impacts outcomes.

Mistake #2: No Mention of Regulatory Strategy

Why It Fails:

Silence on HIPAA or FDA = red flags

Fix It:

Include one real-world clinical workflow (even hypothetical) showing where your solution fits, who uses it, and how it impacts outcomes.

Mistake #3: Pilots with No Measurable Outcomes

Why It Fails:

If you can't quantify impact, it's just a demo.

Fix It:

Include 2–3 KPIs (time savings, reduced manual steps, accuracy uplift) + a clinician quote if available.

Mistake #4: Revenue Projections with No Reimbursement Pathway

Why It Fails:

Healthcare buyers need budget lines. If payers can't fund it, it's a tough sell.

Fix It:

Show awareness of CPT codes, CMS initiatives, or value-based care metrics your AI could impact—even if you're pre-billing.

Mistake #5: "We'll Figure That Out Later" on Compliance

Why It Fails:

Delayed diligence = delayed funding.

Fix It:

Be upfront. "Here's what we've already done (e.g., HIPAA hosting), here's what we're planning (e.g., pre-sub with FDA Q-Sub), and where we need partners."

Mistake #6: Treating AI Like Magic, Not Medicine

Why It Fails:

Overhype gets dismissed quickly—especially by health execs or clinician investors.

Fix It:

Frame your AI like a diagnostic tool or workflow enhancer. Speak in use cases, outcomes, and limitations—not buzzwords.

Red Zone™ Rule:

If it wouldn't pass in a hospital boardroom, it won't fly in a due diligence meeting.

Bonus Slide Ideas (Optional but Effective)

Red Zone™ Readiness Score

Show where you're strong and where you're building

Clinical Pilot Case Study

Visual summary of a real deployment

Advisor Quotes or Endorsements

Real proof. Real trust.

Milestone Timeline

Show progress from now to revenue, not just vision

Ready to Pitch Like a Pro?

We help founders craft investor-ready, compliance-savvy decks that lead to yes—not "come back later."

Our clients have raised millions and landed health system pilots by shifting their narrative from tech demo to strategic plan.

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