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Speetar

2021 Global Fellow



BIG BOLD IDEA

Create equitable health care access for marginalized and displaced communities in MEA countries through an AI-enabled telemedicine platform connecting patients to a global network of language- and culture-matched specialists.

ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

Speetar is a community-driven telehealth platform that provides affordable, quality health care in adverse conditions and provides a centralized location for health data to protect increasingly mobile populations, such as refugees and migrants. In the longer term, Speetar addresses brain-drain by training local practitioners, builds out telehealth infrastructure, and creates sustainable solutions based on systematic data. Patients access affordable, language/culture-matched health specialists practicing abroad for primary diagnosis and follow-up care through its platform. Health care inequalities mirror and exacerbate social, racial, gendered, and economic inequities. Speetar's most-used specialties serve seniors, women, and patients with mental health concerns.

PERSONAL BIO

Mohamed Aburawi is a physician and founding CEO of Speetar, an AI-enabled telehealth platform supported by researchers at MIT and Harvard that aims to break down economic, social, and geographic barriers limiting the options patients have when seeking quality care. Prior to founding Speetar, Dr. Aburawi worked at Harvard Medical School's Center of Engineering in Medicine, leading the design and development of a novel discarded human kidney reconditioning system. His cutting-edge work paved the way for a ground-breaking multicenter clinical trial supported by the New England Organ Bank.

Mohamed was named a Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Goalkeeper, an Aspen New Voices Fellow, and an Ashoka Visionary in recognition of his efforts leveraging digital technologies to enable health care delivery and equity in low-resource settings. In 2019, he was awarded the Harvard Medical School Dean's Community Service Award and selected as a Harvard Social Innovation and Change Initiative Fellow.

Mohamed holds an MPA from Harvard Kennedy School and an MBA from MIT, where he was also a Fellow at the Legatum Center for Development & Entrepreneurship.

Organization/Fellow Location

Boston, United States

Impact Location

Libya

Egypt

Jordan

Organization Structure

For-profit

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