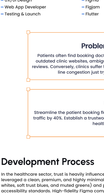
MediCare

Medicare: Seamless Patient-Doctor Connectivity

Full Case Study

Duration:

4 Weeks UI/UX Design & Prototyping
5 Weeks for Full-Stack Development & Deployment



Product Overview

Medicare is a premium web platform that simplifies the healthcare booking experience. It bridges the gap between patients and doctors through a clean, intuitive design, clear information hierarchy, and a highly minimal design system. We utilized a calming color palette (crisp whites, soft teal tones, and muted greens) and prioritized large, highly legible typography to meet strict accessibility standards. High-fidelity figma components were built to ensure consistent spacing. Complex data was organized in a clear visual hierarchy, preventing cognitive overload. On the development side, the platform was engineered using the mern stack (mongodb, express.js, react, node.js) to guarantee a lightning-fast, fully responsive, mobile-first experience—an absolute necessity since over 70% of medical searches and bookings occur on smartphones.

Responsibility

- UI/UX Design
- Web App Developer
- Testing & Launch

Tools

- Figma
- Figjam
- Flutter
- React Native
- MongoDB
- Node.js

Problem Statement

Patients often find booking doctor appointments highly frustrating due to outdated clinic websites, ambiguous scheduling, and a lack of transparent reviews. Conversely, clinics suffer from high no-show rates and severe phone-line congestion just trying to manage daily calendars.

Goals

Streamline the patient booking flow to under 3 minutes. Reduce clinic phone traffic by 40%. Establish a transparent, highly accessible, and premium digital healthcare presence.

Development Process

Understand

User Research
User Interviews
Competitive Analysis

Define

User Personas
Empathy Map
Journey Map

Ideate

User Flows
Information Architecture
Wireframes

Design

Wireframe
Hi-Fi Designs
Prototype

Development

Feedbacks
Conclusion
Future Concept

Deploy

Feedbacks
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Research & Discovery

To build a platform that solved real problems, we spoke directly with patients and clinic staff. We discovered that patients were deeply frustrated by confusing schedules, hidden pricing, and long wait times on the phone. Meanwhile, clinic receptionists were overwhelmed by endless phone calls and patient no-shows. These insights directly shaped our core objectives: maximizing booking transparency for the patient while fully automating the booking calendar to relieve the clinic's administrative burden.

Observations

75%

7 patients prefer online booking but will immediately abandon a site if the doctor's schedule is unclear or if the site looks untrustworthy.

60%

of receptionists stated they spend over half their day managing phone appointments and cancellations.

Pain Points

1. **Friction in Booking**

   Complex multi-step online forms that ask for redundant medical history before confirming a simple time slot cause high drop-off rates.

2. **Lack of Transparency**

   Hidden consultation fees and a lack of verified patient reviews make choosing a new specialist a highly anxiety-inducing process.

3. **Schedule Ambiguity**

   Outdated digital calendars lead to double-booking, frustrating clinic wait times, and a breakdown of patient trust.

User Research

To ensure Medicare actually reduced healthcare friction, we utilized a mixed-methods research approach, surveying over 50 patients and conducting qualitative interviews with clinic receptionists.

Unique Features

- Smart time-slot filtering instantly visualizes real-time doctor availability based on the patient's exact symptoms, preferred day, and insurance eligibility.
- Verified Patient Reviews: An integrated, verified feedback system highlighting bedside manner and wait times to build immediate trust and ease anxiety for new patients.
- Automated Waitlist & Reminders: An SMS/Email integration that automatically alerts patients if an earlier slot opens up, and sends 24-hour reminders to drastically reduce clinic no-shows.
- Accessible "Guest Booking": Allows users to book appointments quickly on behalf of elderly family members or children without needing to navigate complex linked-account setups.

Target Audience

The Busy Professional | The Caregiver / Parent | The Elderly Patient | The Healthcare Provider

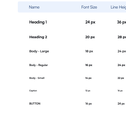
Empathy Map

User Persona

High-fidelity Design

Style Guide

Color Palette



Typography

Iconography

Key Takeaways

Trust is Visual: In healthcare, a cluttered or outdated UI is often perceived as indicative of a shady or low-quality clinic. A minimal, premium design directly translates to patient trust and higher booking conversions.

Accessibility Can Be Beautiful: Designing for healthcare means ensuring the platform is easily navigable by elderly users, those with visual impairments, or users operating under high stress/anxiety.

Empathy Prevents Friction: Reducing the digital booking flow strictly to essential fields—rather than mimicking a 5-page physical clinic intake clipboard—dramatically lowered the user drop-off rate.

Roadmap

Phase 1 (Current): Core MVP launch focusing on the smart search directory, doctor profiles, and instant booking confirmations.

Phase 2 (Next 3 Months): Introduce integrated Telehealth capabilities, allowing patients to securely book and attend secure video consultations directly through their mobile browser without downloading external software.

Phase 3 (Next 12 Months): Deep EHR (Electronic Health Record) integration, allowing patients to securely transfer their medical history and lab results to the new specialist prior to their physical visit.

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