

# Amazon buys healthcare startup to power primary care program

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Amazon has acquired a medical technology startup to help power Amazon Care, a primary care program launched in September at the company's Seattle headquarters.

Amazon confirmed the acquisition of Health Navigator, a startup that provides technology and services to digital health companies, to [CNBC](#). Health Navigator will be wrapped into Amazon Care, which [offers](#) employees virtual visits, in-home follow ups if additional care is needed, and prescription deliveries.

"The service eliminates travel and wait time, connecting employees and their family members to a physician or nurse practitioner through live chat or video, with the option for in-person follow up services from a registered nurse ranging from immunizations to instant strep throat detection," an Amazon spokesperson wrote in an email to [CNBC](#).

Health Navigator is Amazon's first health-related acquisition since it purchased PillPack for \$753 million last year. Amazon didn't disclose financial terms of the Health Navigator deal.

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