12-Month Budget Breakdown (\$500k Target)

1. Product & Engineering – \$225k (45%)

- 2 Full-stack engineers (React/Node/Al integrations): \$80k each = \$160k
- 1 ML/Al engineer (biometric fusion, predictive modeling): \$65k
- Why: Core development of Chakrai 2.0 biometric features, predictive mental health modeling, therapist tools, subscription/payments.

2. Clinical Compliance & Security - \$50k (10%)

- HIPAA, GDPR, FDA guidance, penetration testing, compliance audits.
- Covers legal fees, consultants, and certification reviews.
- Why: Critical for investor and partner trust—you've already built HIPAA-grade security

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, but compliance maintenance is non-negotiable.

3. Cloud Infrastructure & Tools – \$60k (12%)

- Al API usage (OpenAl, ElevenLabs, Whisper): ~\$3k/month = \$36k
- Cloud hosting (Postgres, Supabase, Redis, monitoring): ~\$2k/month = \$24k
- Why: Keeps Chakrai running smoothly with scale headroom.

4. Marketing & Growth - \$100k (20%)

- Digital ads / influencer partnerships: \$40k
- Therapist outreach + partnerships: \$20k
- Content marketing (mental health education, community building): \$25k
- Events / conferences (mental health, digital health, AI): \$15k
- Why: **Drive user adoption + early B2B therapist adoption**, key for ARR traction.

5. Operations & Admin – \$40k (8%)

- Founder salary (modest draw): \$20k
- Admin, bookkeeping, accounting, HR support: \$10k
- Insurance, legal filings, miscellaneous: \$10k

6. Contingency / Buffer - \$25k (5%)

Safety net for unexpected infra costs, marketing opportunities, or regulatory filings.

Budget Summary

Product & Engineering: \$225k

• Compliance & Security: \$50k

• Cloud Infrastructure: \$60k

• Marketing & Growth: \$100k

• Ops & Admin: **\$40k**

Buffer: \$25kTotal = \$500k

What \$500k Achieves

- Launch Chakrai 2.0: predictive biometric engine, group AI therapy, therapist portal.
- **Prove traction**: 5k–10k paying users (~\$50k–\$100k MRR target by month 12).
- Investor milestone: clear case for a \$2–5M Seed+ raise at a higher valuation (>\$15M).

