

MSF Winter Clinic: Certify Health Team 1

Project Plan

Date: January 16, 2026

Minimal Working Prototype Due: January 26, 2026

Minimal Viable Product Due: February XX, 2026 (TBD)

Executive Summary

Build an AI-powered competitive intelligence system ("Certify Intel") that monitors 50+ healthcare IT competitors, extracts key data (pricing, features, customers), and delivers insights via an Excel dashboard with automated weekly refreshes and email alerts.

1. Project Objectives

1. Track 50+ competitors in middle-market healthcare IT
2. Collect 32 standardized data points per competitor
3. Automate data collection via web scraping + GPT extraction
4. Deliver insights through Excel dashboard with charts/pivots
5. Alert stakeholders on critical changes via email

2. Minimal Working Prototype vs. Minimal Viable Product

Minimal Working Prototype (Due: January 26)

A functional Excel workbook with complete data structure, 10-15 competitors manually populated, demonstrating the end-state dashboard design.

Component | Scope

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Excel Dashboard | Structure complete, charts functional

Competitor Data | 10-15 competitors, manually entered

Data Points | All 32 columns defined

Automation | None (manual entry)

Alerts | None

Minimal Viable Product (Due: Week of February 9)

A fully automated system with cloud backend, AI extraction, Power Query-connected Excel, and email alerts.

Component | Scope

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Excel Dashboard | Production-ready with all views
Competitor Data | 50+ competitors, auto-populated
Data Points | All 32 fields populated
Automation | Weekly scraping + extraction
Alerts | Email alerts on critical changes

3. Data Points to Collect (32 Total)

Core Data

Data Point | Source

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Pricing / Contract Models | Pricing pages
Product Features | Product pages
Customer Logos / Count | Case studies, website
Funding / Valuation | Crunchbase, news
Hiring Trends | LinkedIn, job boards
Customer Reviews | G2, Capterra
News / PR Mentions | Google News, PR feeds

Customer & Market

Data Point | Source

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Customer Acquisition Rate | Press releases, LinkedIn
Target Market Segments | Website messaging
Customer Size Focus | Pricing page, case studies
Geographic Focus | About page, job locations
Integration Partners | Integration pages

Company Health

Data Point | Source

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Employee Count | LinkedIn
Employee Growth Rate | LinkedIn, archive
Headquarters Location | Website, LinkedIn
Year Founded | Website, Crunchbase
Leadership Team | About page, LinkedIn

Product & Positioning

Data Point | Source

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Tagline / Value Prop | Homepage
Differentiators | Website messaging
Product Categories | Product pages
Certifications | Security page
Mobile App Availability | App stores

Digital Presence

Data Point | Source

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Website Traffic Estimate | SimilarWeb
Social Media Following | Social profiles
Blog Post Frequency | Blog page
Webinar/Event Activity | Events page
SEO Domain Authority | Moz, Ahrefs

Competitive Intelligence

Data Point | Source

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Recent Product Launches | Blog, press releases
Partnership Announcements | Press releases
Awards / Recognition | Website, news
Acquisition History | Crunchbase, news
PE/VC Backers | Crunchbase

4. Team Roles

Role | Team Member | Primary Responsibility

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Team Lead / Coordinator | Andrew Kimelman | Cross-team coordination, client communication
Product Development Lead | Connor Hickey | Backend engine, automation, Power Query
Research Lead | Kevin Way | Competitive landscape, data sourcing
Data Lead | Connor Maloney | Excel dashboard, data entry, KPIs
Delivery Lead | Mo Srouji | Visuals, charts, documentation

See "Certify_Health_Team_1_Task_Assignments.pdf" for detailed task assignments.

5. Timeline

Minimal Working Prototype Phase (January 5-26)

Week | Focus

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Week 1 (Jan 5-11) | Foundation: competitor criteria, data schema, layout

Week 2 (Jan 12-18) | Research & data structure

Week 3 (Jan 19-26) | Data population, Minimal Working Prototype delivery

Minimal Viable Product Phase (January 26 - February 9)

Week | Focus

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Week 4 (Jan 26-Feb 2) | Backend, AI integration, expanded data

Week 5 (Feb 3-9) | Automation, polish, final delivery

6. Key Dates

Date | Event

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January 5, 2026 | Project Start / Team Onboarding

January 26, 2026 | Minimal Working Prototype Due

January 27, 2026 | Executive Presentation Workshop

February 6-8, 2026 | Clinics Intensive Weekend

Week of February 9, 2026 | Final Presentations / Minimal Viable Product Due

7. Deliverables

Deliverable | Due Date

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Minimal Working Prototype Excel Dashboard | January 26, 2026

Competitor Master List (50+) | January 26, 2026

Cloud Backend (Scraping + API) | February 6, 2026

Minimal Viable Product Excel Dashboard | February 9, 2026

Documentation Package | February 9, 2026

8. Success Criteria

Metric | Minimal Working Prototype | Minimal Viable Product

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Competitors tracked | 10-15 | 50+

Data points per competitor | 32 | 32

Data freshness | Manual | Weekly auto

Dashboard views | 3 basic | 5+ with charts

Alert capability | None | Email on changes