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**STRATEGY SPOTLIGHT****A Healthy Outlook for the New Year**

Each year brings resolutions; For Abbott, a new year means it is ready to keep delivering on its promises for better health through its life-changing technologies and translating that success into another year of outstanding performance. [Read more](#) about what we had to say at this year's J.P. Morgan Healthcare Conference.

**A New Option for Physicians Treating Patients with Atrial Fibrillation**

In January, we received U.S. approval for our new ablation catheter designed to help treat atrial fibrillation (AFib). The approval further expands Abbott's portfolio of cardiac ablation tools that integrate with the company's [EnSite Precision cardiac mapping system](#), which helps develop more precise images of the heart during cardiac ablation procedures. [Read more here.](#)

**Big Data Fuels Connected Medical Devices**

The combination of the latest medical devices and innovations in how the data those devices produce can improve health care presents a promising landscape where Abbott continues to be the leader. [Read more about how big data improves health here.](#)

**INNOVATION****World's First Device for Premies with Heart Openings**

We recently received U.S. approval for a device smaller than a pea that can help premature babies and newborns with an opening in their hearts. According to the [Chicago Tribune](#), one mom says it has already saved her daughter's life.

**Life-Changing Test Results in Minutes**

Abbott's established leadership in the medical diagnostic testing field has expanded further with its investments in rapid diagnostic platforms, which bring speed and accuracy for patients almost anywhere in the world. [Read more here.](#)

**INDUSTRY LEADERSHIP****Abbott Recognized as Industry Leader on Fortune's Most Admired List**

We're here, every day, to help nourish 8 million babies; make more than 10,000 hearts healthier; help thousands living with pain and tremors move a little easier; and, for a million-plus people managing their diabetes daily, eliminate routine fingersticks. We're here to make the world a better place by defining the future of healthcare.

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