

# Unlocking Investment for Women's Health

Understanding the continuum of capital from government funding to venture capital.



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Friends,

We are announcing a new report on Women's Health. We welcome your thoughts & recommendations.

In a new collaboration, [Ipsita Smolinski, MBA & MPH](#), Managing Director at [Capitol Street](#), and Misti Ushio, PhD, Managing Partner at Digitalis Ventures, have co-authored a paper that brings fresh urgency and clarity to an underfunded and overlooked sector in healthcare: women's health.

Unlocking Investment for Women's Health: Understanding the continuum of capital from government funding to venture capital explores how both policy design and investment frameworks have contributed to historical underinvestment—and offers actionable strategies to change course. The paper also identifies persistent barriers, such as fragmented regulatory oversight, insufficient data collection, and unclear reimbursement pathways, that make capital allocation in women's health less attractive to investors.

This joint effort between Digitalis Research, a member of the Digitalis Group, an applied research organization building new ideas at the intersection of health and technology which includes Digitalis Ventures and Digitalis Commons; and Capitol Street, a premier health policy consultancy based in Washington DC, is part of a broader push to align capital markets with public health goals. By identifying where policy and investment can intersect more effectively, the analysis aims to influence both legislative agendas and capital deployment strategies.

We invite you to join our ongoing conversation about opportunities in women's health and share the ways you may be working on innovative initiatives, policies, and investment strategies in this critical space.

Please contact us ([team@capitol-street.com](mailto:team@capitol-street.com)) to work together on this.

Thank you,

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Women's Health Paper here

