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Tele-rehabilitation pilot launched for 100,000 post-stroke patients nationwide
China's healthcare authority has launched a national pilot program providing tele-rehabilitation services for 100,000 post-stroke patients. The program connects patients with therapists via a video platform for guided, at-home physical and cognitive therapy sessions. Early data shows significant improvement in motor function recovery and a 40% reduction in therapy drop-out rates. **(National Health Commission)**

AI-powered diagnostic aid for rare pediatric diseases receives regulatory clearance
A new AI-based diagnostic support tool for rare pediatric diseases has been approved for clinical use. The system analyzes patient symptoms, genetic data, and imaging to help physicians identify rare conditions more accurately and quickly. In trials, it reduced the average diagnostic odyssey for rare diseases from years to months. **(National Medical Products Administration)**

Major public hospitals adopt blockchain for unified patient health records
A consortium of 30 top-tier public hospitals has started a pilot to share patient health records using blockchain technology. The system allows secure, patient-authorized data exchange between hospitals, aiming to eliminate duplicate tests and improve continuity of care. Patient data privacy and security are ensured through encryption and decentralized storage. **(National Healthcare Security Administration)**

China's first 5G-powered mobile surgical unit completes remote-area deployment
China's first 5G-enabled mobile advanced surgical unit has completed a six-month pilot in remote Sichuan province. The vehicle, equipped with tele-surgery capabilities, allowed specialists in urban centers to guide and assist complex procedures in rural clinics. The unit performed over 200 successful remote-assisted surgeries, significantly improving local access to specialist care**. (Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, National Health Commission)**

National elderly care network integrates health monitoring into 10,000 community centers
A new national network has integrated health monitoring stations into 10,000 community-based elderly care service centers. Seniors can receive regular blood pressure, glucose, and ECG checks, with data automatically uploaded to their family physicians' portals. The initiative aims to shift geriatric care management from hospitals to communities. **(National Administration for Senior Care)**