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Yelapaala co-founded InOn Health in 2018. The company improves access to care in the United States, using digital communication channels and consumer insights, to better connect multicultural populations to health care services. Prior to InOn Health, he also founded access.mobile International and serves as chair of the organization. access.mobile is a global, digital health company that develops solutions to improve access to health information and services in African countries. The company has implemented programs in 13 African countries. Yelapaala served as one of the early employees of the Clinton Health Access Initiative and worked as a management consultant for Dalberg Global Development Advisors.

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