

## Anticoagulation: Stroke prevention in Atrial Fibrillation e-learning course



The Anticoagulation: Stroke prevention in Atrial Fibrillation e-learning course is based on the NICE Clinical Guideline 180: Management of Atrial Fibrillation. It is designed for medicines management teams, GPs, practice nurses, practice pharmacists and non-medical prescribers.



There are quizzes at the end of each module to test understanding and a pass mark of 70% to pass the course and receive a certificate.

### MODULE 1

#### Welcome and introduction

### MODULE 2

#### NICE Clinical Guideline 180

- NICE CG180 on the Management of Atrial Fibrillation (AF)
- How to use the CHA<sub>2</sub>DS<sub>2</sub>-VASc tool
- How to use the HAS-BLED tool

### MODULE 3

#### Choice of anticoagulant

- Anticoagulant options recommended by NICE in CG180
- Trial evidence comparing NOACs with warfarin
- Doses for NOACs
- Antiplatelet use in people with AF

### MODULE 4

#### Shared decision making

- NICE atrial fibrillation Patient Decision Aid (PDA)
- Risks and benefits of anticoagulation
- Clinical factors in the choice of anticoagulant
- Patient factors in the choice of anticoagulant

### MODULE 5

#### NOACs - Monitoring and patient information

- Baseline tests required prior to NOAC initiation
- Cockcroft-Gault equation for estimating renal function
- Ongoing monitoring and information for patients

## MODULE 6

### Warfarin monitoring

- How INR monitoring should be undertaken
- When INR values may indicate poor anticoagulation control
- Why the INR may be outside the therapeutic range
- Difference between self-testing and self-managing
- Recommendations of the NICE Diagnostics Guidance DG14
- Content of patient / clinician agreements

### Course access

The course is **free** for all healthcare professionals in your commissioning area.

You will need to be logged in to the PrescQIPP site so that it can record your progress and issue your e-learning certificate.

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