

## Anticoagulation - Stroke prevention in atrial fibrillation -

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This 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.

### Course content

- This e-learning course has five modules, two case studies and a final exam with a 70% pass mark.
- Once the course is passed a certificate of completion will be issued.

#### MODULE 1

##### Welcome and introduction

#### MODULE 2

##### NICE Clinical Guideline 180

- NICE CG180 on the Management of Atrial Fibrillation (AF)
- How to use the CHA2DS2-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

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