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Titel of the project: **Atrial Fibrillation Dcision Aide**

Project details

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Assisting patients to decide on anti-thrombotic therapy is a task that is often neglected. Tools to aide in this process are often lacking. or unavailable. The Atrial Fibrillation Decision Aide availableand downloadabe on line (www.cvtoolbox.com) facilitates the anti-coagulation decision process and may be used at any patient interface.

The CVTOOLBOX (www.cvtoolbox.com) is a cardiovascular disease management website which receives traffic of 200,000 visitors/year. The Atrial Fibrillation Decision Aide on the website has recently been revised in accordance with updated guidelines. This decision aide is in use at the Ottawa Cardiovascular Centre. The Decision Aide clearly leads the patient through the decision process by providing a one page description of atrial fibrillation, risk stratification tools (CHADS2 and CHA2DS2-VASc), anticoagulation benefits and risks and a decision commitment. The most current guidelines are summarized and a decision tree is provided for ease of reference. An information campaign will be carried out to make more physicians and patients aware of the Atrial Fibrillation Decision Aide on the website. A web based database version will be developed to track local utilization. A downloadable database version of the Decision Aide has been developed to track and record atrial fibrillation decision aide utilization. This database can also be utilized to track anticoagulant utilization and adverse effects for post-marketing surveillance. Funds will also be used to mass produce and distribute hard copies of the Decision Aide broadly across the Local Health Integration Network. Similar projects may be adopted by other networks and regions. Via the internet the Atrial Fibrillation Decision Aide can have global impact. The goal is to impact 1000 atrial fibrillation decisions and report on the results.

Audience

Type

- AF Patients
- Healthcare professionals
- Carers of AF Patients
- General public

Location

Canada, North America