

South London Cardiac and Stroke Network



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Managing Stroke Patients in Primary Care
event to be hosted by **Pfizer**.



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The South London Cardiac and Stroke Network (SLCSN)

- ‘Networks should be established, to bring together key stakeholders and providers to organise, review and improve delivery of services across the care pathway’

- National Stroke Strategy.



Accelerating progress on stroke

- The idea: provide intensive support to services to accelerate implementation of the strategy during 2010/11
- The aim: achieve key 'milestones' in care across the stroke pathway covering prevention, acute services, and long-term care
- The methods: combine the efforts and activities of Stroke Networks, SIP and the DH to mobilise local improvement initiatives, supported by SHA, PCT and Trust senior management.

Main areas of work

Domains	Joining Up Prevention	Implementing Best Practice in Acute Care	Improving Post Hospital and Long Term Care
Key Areas of Focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AF Detection and Treatment• Timely and effective management of TIA	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Direct Admission to a Stroke Unit• Timely Brain Scan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Early Supported Discharge• Joint Care Plans using Single Assessment Process• Review at 6/52, 6/12 and yearly• Carers' Assessment• Psychological Support

Stroke Prevention; Addressing Atrial Fibrillation (AF) in Primary Care

- National Priority Project
- 4 Pilot Sites across south London
- The main project aims are to;
 - provide a strategic vision for improving and redesigning care for AF pts
 - improve patient experience and ensure timely and accurate diagnosis and treatment of AF
 - support the appropriate transition of care between primary, secondary and community, ensuring provision of a streamlined and efficient AF pathway
 - support the development / commissioning of local arrhythmia services in line with evidenced based practice and government policy



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Main work areas;

- Increasing the identification of AF in primary care
- Treatment optimisation
- Review of existing services
- Education

AF project – Greenwich

- Agreed at CVD PCT level and with Consultant Cardiologist Dr. Carl Shakespeare
- Liaising with PBC leads
- Aims:
 - GRASP-AF tool
 - Local education on AF & stroke prevention
 - Supporting anticoagulation monitoring, if appropriate

AF project – Bromley

- Review of services with clinicians
- Report: “NHS services for patients with AF in Bromley: current status & ideas”
- Two working strands:
 - AF
 - Anticoagulation
- Aims (as before)

AF project in South East London

- Contact us and we can discuss areas for collaboration and the support we can offer you.



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We develop our strategy from

- Heart Improvement Programme
- Stroke Improvement Programme
- Commissioning Support for London
- Department of Health

Partnering with healthcare organisations to advance cardiac and stroke care

What we do at the SLCSN:

Focus on patients
Everything we do at the Network centres around patients. That is why we exist. Our vision is to connect patients and healthcare organisations across South London to exceed national standards in cardiac and stroke care.

- Connect healthcare**
By collaborating with patients, PCTs, commissioners of healthcare, clinical staff and other healthcare professionals, the Network channels clinical expertise and builds strong relationships to help streamline the way in which care is delivered along the entire patient pathway, from prevention to acute care to rehabilitation.
- Create results**
Rapid improvements create a healthier, more financially viable system which facilitates consistently high-quality care for all South Londoners.

NHS Improvement Accelerating Stroke Improvement Intensive whole-system support to services

What is TIA? New leaflet in 7 languages

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