



Executive Summary of Joint Working Outputs
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Project Title	Collaborative Working to Reduce Strokes Caused by Atrial Fibrillation (AF)
Duration	March 2017 to December 2017
Project Partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Innovation Agency, Academic Health Science Network for the North West Coast • Bayer plc
What was the issue to be addressed?	<p>In partnership with Bayer through a joint working agreement, the Innovation Agency aimed to increase collaborative working across multiple organisations to prevent Atrial Fibrillation (AF) related strokes. The Project intended to drive adoption of best practice by drawing on the projects, tools and techniques already developed and evaluated in other parts of the country to effectively deliver an AF stroke prevention programme in primary care.</p>
What was the intervention?	<p>The main focus of this initiative was to implement an AF-focused Quality Improvement (QI) initiative in GP practices. This supported practices in identifying, reviewing and managing current patients whilst leading to the implementation of sustainable change in the prevention of AF-related stroke.</p>
What were the results?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The project was implemented in five CCGs and 75 GP practices • Over the project duration more than 1,500 patients were reviewed