



Executive Summary of Joint Working Outputs
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Project Title	AF quality improvement project within GP practices across West Yorkshire, Harrogate & Rural Districts
Duration	April 2018 to March 2019
Project Partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yorkshire and Humber Academic Health Science Network (AHSN) • Bayer plc
What was the issue to be addressed?	<p>In partnership with Bayer through a Joint Working Agreement, Yorkshire and Humber AHSN aimed to build on the success of a prior Joint Working project to extend the adoption of best practice beyond the scope of the original project. A list of GP practices with the greatest unmet need in AF management across West Yorkshire & Harrogate was identified. The intention of the project was to improve detection and management across the 40 practices with the greatest level of need. The project drew upon experience of prior Joint Working locally as well 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>Building on prior learning, the project replicated a Quality Improvement (QI) approach to improve the identification and management of AF in up to 40 GP practices. The project supported these practices in identifying, reviewing and managing patients with the intention to improve current management as well as build transferable QI capability in participating practices.</p>
What were the results?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project reach: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 22 Clinical Commissioning Groups and 1 Integrated Care System engaged ○ 104 GP Practices expressed interest of whom an 81 further GP Practices commenced implementation • Roll-out of detection devices (in line with national AHSN Network project): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 263 AliveCor ○ 91 Watch BP • 1,118 AF patients identified • 1,171 patients anticoagulated