

## Newcastle Cardiac Update Course – ‘Your Heart in Your Hands’

A cardiac update course for healthcare professionals involved in the management and treatment of heart rhythm disorders

**Thursday 26 April 2012**

**VENUE TBC**

**Chair: Dr Janet McComb**

*CPD will be applied for with the Royal College of Physicians*

### 09.00 Registration

#### Atrial Fibrillation

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| 09.30 Welcome and introduction  | Dr Janet McComb  |
| 09.35 Arrhythmia Alliance – what’s new?   | A-A Staff Member |
| 09.45 Progression to permanent AF – how can we prevent it?                                |                  |
| 10.25 Quality of life in AF – how to measure it and the impact of different interventions | Dr Ewen Shepherd |
| - Is the impact of AF fully appreciated when it comes to health care costs?               |                  |

### 11.00 Break

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| 11.20 New therapeutic approaches for the protection of AF patients from stroke                        |                   |
| - Do Aspirin or Warfarin have a role anymore?   |                   |
| 12.00 Profile for the AF patient who will benefit from catheter ablation – improving patient outcomes | Dr Stephen Murray |

### 12.30 Lunch

#### Devices

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| 13.15 Devices in inherited cardiac conditions i.e. hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, Brugada syndrome | Dr Stephen Lord |
| 13.50 Troubleshooting devices  |                 |
| - Case studies   |                 |
| 14.30 Preventative care - recognising and treating syncope in the elderly population             | Dr Steve Parry  |
| 14.55 Latest update on device therapy  | Dr Janet McComb |
| - Data trials and clinical practice  |                 |
| - Local implant rates, are they acceptable or what more needs to be done?                        |                 |

### 15:30 Meeting Close

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