

ED AEC AF MANAGEMENT GUIDE APPENDIX



EXCLUSION CRITERIA

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Unstable patient:

Chest pain, hypertension, signs of CCF

Symptomatic:

e.g. symptomatic dyspnoea / palpitations / dizziness

Underlying cause of AF requiring admission:

Sepsis / PE / toxicity syndrome

BOX A

INCLUSION CRITERIA

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Stable patient: MEWS score ≤ 2 , not hypotensive and asymptomatic. No signs of CCF. Underlying cause of AF not requiring admission

BOX B

CARDIOVERSION

Full guidance can be accessed @ NICE <https://www.nice.org.uk/>

D/W Consultant or Middle Grade

Depending on outcome – patient may require admission and /or initiation of anticoagulation

BOX C

ANTICOAGULATION ASSESSMENT

- As per AF Proforma & Exclusion Criteria for DOAC's – Both on Intranet (AF OPD Clinic)
- Prescription to patient (5 day Out of Hours Pack available in ED)

BOX D

RATE CONTROL

Full guidance can be accessed @ NICE <https://www.nice.org.uk/>

In people with AF where duration is unknown, or more than 48°, long term rate control should be considered

BOX E

DISCHARGE CRITERIA

Stable

Asymptomatic

Not fulfilling exclusion criteria

HR<110

Discuss with senior (MG or above)

BOX F

DISCHARGE BUNDLE

Patient information leaflet

Prescription for NOAC (if appropriate)

Referral to AF Clinic

Referral to Anticoagulation Clinic (if appropriate – AF referral **team**)

Outpatient echo requested on MAXIMS ADT

Discharge summary for GP

BOX G