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Atrial Fibrillation Institute



Ireland's largest group of
Cardiac Electrophysiology
Consultant Specialists



ATRIAL FIBRILLATION
INSTITUTE

Atrial Fibrillation Institute, Mater Private Dublin

LED BY IRELAND'S LARGEST GROUP OF CARDIAC
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Full-time, dedicated centre of excellence
for the treatment of Atrial Fibrillation
using the integrated care approach



State of the art diagnostic
and treatment facilities,
available 5 days a week



ATRIAL FIBRILLATION HEART TEAM LED BY THE CARDIAC ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY TEAM

- 5 Consultant Electrophysiologists providing best-in-class, expert care for your patients
- Routinely perform minimally invasive procedures to treat arrhythmia in the largest volume catheter ablation centre in Ireland
- Actively involved in publishing new research on Atrial Fibrillation management
- Ongoing participation in international trials and research projects, which contributes to improved patient outcomes and quality of care



INTEGRATED SUPPORT FROM ARRHYTHMIA NURSE SPECIALIST

- High standard in inpatient and outpatient quality of care
- Supports individualised risk modification strategies and more personalised treatment
- Improved patient education and awareness

MANAGING & TREATING ATRIAL FIBRILLATION:

The treatment of atrial fibrillation relies on covering 5 major domains:

- Acute treatment of unwell patients (provided at the Urgent Cardiac Care Clinic)
- Management of precipitating factors
- Reduction of thromboembolic risk using blood thinning medication
- Controlling the heart rate
- Rhythm control

THE ATRIAL FIBRILLATION INSTITUTE OFFERS PATIENTS:

ACCESS TO STATE-OF-THE-ART DIAGNOSTIC AND TESTING FACILITIES:

- ECG (Electrocardiogram)
- Holter ECG monitor
- Ambulatory blood pressure monitor
- Event monitor
- Implantable loop recorders
- Echo (Echocardiogram)
- Advanced cardiac imaging (CT and Cardiac MRI)
- Stress test
- Electrophysiology studies
- Invasive cardiology testing
- Access to other medical speciality testing if relevant
- Access to KardiaMobile personal ECG device to monitor heart rhythm at home

ACCESS TO ALL MODERN THERAPEUTICAL OPTIONS:

- Optimisation of drug therapy (anti-arrhythmic, anticoagulation)
- Cardioversion (Chemical or electrical)
- Catheter ablation
- Pacemakers and complex device therapy
- LAA occlusion/excision
- Surgical ablation

WHY SHOULD PATIENTS BE REFERRED TO THE ATRIAL FIBRILLATION INSTITUTE?

- Expert opinion, evaluation, and establishment of a treatment plan delivered in one visit
- All modern therapeutical options available and accessible
- Accepts both newly diagnosed and also patients with history of atrial fibrillation
- Structured care approach to patients with atrial fibrillation
- Shared decision making by the multi-disciplinary team and the patient
- Patient access to all relevant medical sub-specialities
- Bilateral connections between GPs and Cardiology Clinics to ensure sustainable results
- Integrated approach and risk factor modification shown to improve mortality and morbidity of patients with atrial fibrillation

Why should GPs refer?



WHO TO REFER

- Stable atrial fibrillation patients verified by ECG recording
- New onset atrial fibrillation patients
- Patients with anti-arrhythmic drug resistant atrial fibrillation
- Patients where anticoagulation therapy is challenging
- Heart failure patients where atrial fibrillation contributes to the symptoms
- Post stroke/TIA patients with atrial fibrillation
- Atrial fibrillation in the young population or athletes
- Atrial fibrillation patients with inherited cardiac conditions
- Atrial fibrillation patients seeking a second opinion on their treatment
- Patients requiring a suitability assessment for catheter ablation or other invasive procedures



HOW TO REFER

Send referral electronically to the Atrial Fibrillation Institute at the Mater Private

- Via your practice management system
- Via email, post or fax

Please include:

- Recent ECG or rhythm strip
- Results of any recent relevant testing or treatments
- Clinical question/ problem to be answered/ solved



REFERRAL MANAGEMENT

- On receipt, the Atrial Fibrillation Team will arrange the most suitable clinic appointment for your patient
- Clinically unstable patients should be referred to the UCC/local Emergency Departments

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Routine Referrals

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