Working together to improve the diagnosis, treatment and quality of life for all those affected by arrhythmias

**Care Pathway for Atrial Fibrillation**

**Atrial Fibrillation - Incidental/Asymptomatic Finding**

1. **Annual Screening**
   - ≥ 65 years
   - ECG
   - Thyroid check?

2. **Opportunistic Screening**
   - Pulse Irregular?
   - High Risk groups

3. **Incidental Finding**

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**Symptoms?**
- esp. insidious symptoms
  - e.g. ↓ exercise tolerance

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- **Yes**
  - Treat Appropriately

- **No**
  - Assess thromboembolic risk → warfarin
  - Identify underlying cause
  - L/T Strategy (Rate vs. Rhythm control)

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