Recruit GPs from selected areas: Sydney Metropolitan/Coastal/Regional-Urban/Regional-Rural Divisions of General Practice (NSW)

INTERVENTION (CARAT)
N=25 GPs

CONTROL (Usual Care)
N=25 GPs

GPs identify ≥10 eligible patients each (Patients aged ≥65 years with AF)

Intervention (CARAT)
N=250 patients

Control (Usual Care)
N=250 patients

Baseline Data Collection (GP / Project Officer)
ALL patients (demographics, medical history, risk factors)

GP applies CARAT
(identify recommended therapy)

GP makes final decision re: antithrombotic therapy

Project Officer documents therapy prescribed by GP

Follow-up Data Collection (Project Officer)
ALL patients: 1, 6 and 12 months
via telephone interview, GP verification, hospital medical records
(Clinical outcomes, e.g., changes to therapy; stroke; bleed; risk factors; QoL)

12 months:
GP applies CARAT again to review therapy in recruited patients

GP Interview
Qualitative Data Collection (Challenges in prescribing)

GP Feedback
Qualitative Data Collection (Satisfaction survey + Interview)

Optional ‘cross-over’ trial of CARAT
(GP applies CARAT to 5 patients each)