

Anticoagulation for Atrial Fibrillation in Trauma Patients Protocol

Objective:

1. To objectively assess future atrial fibrillation anticoagulation for patients with heomrrhage

Resources

1. CHADS2 scoring system <http://www.mdcalc.com/chads2-score-for-atrial-fibrillation-stroke-risk/>
2. HASBLED scoring system <http://www.mdcalc.com/has-bleed-score-for-major-bleeding-risk/>

Guideline:

1. Patients admitted with hemorrhage secondary to trauma on warfarin for atrial fibrillation
 - a. Perform CHADS2 score
 - b. Perform HASBLED score
 - i. If CHADS2 score is greater than the HAS- BLED score, restart anticoagulation when safe to do so
 - ii. If CHADS2 score is less than the HAS-BLED score
 1. Consult cardiology for anticoagulation recommendations
 2. Discuss risk/benefits with patient and family
 3. Send letter to PCP regarding this specific issue, (form found attached)

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