

Learning Session 2

Roselands Doctors

Warfarin

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Measures Summary

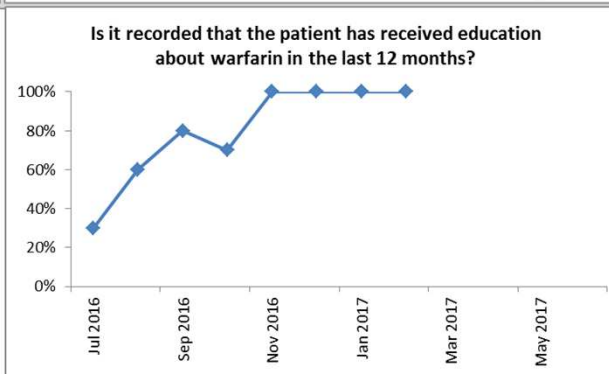
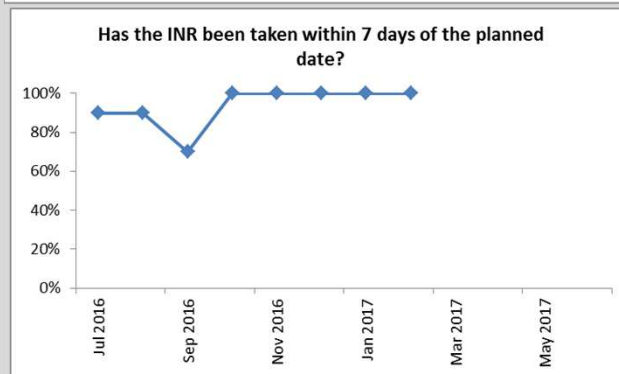
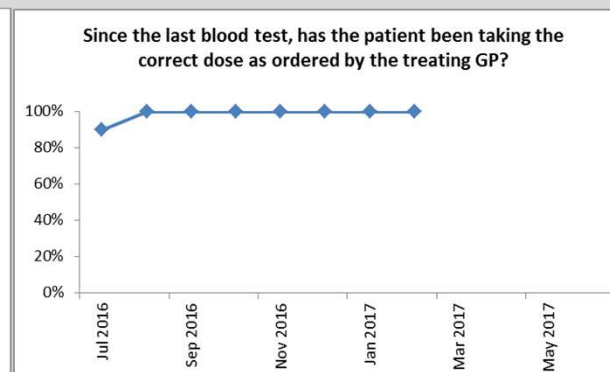
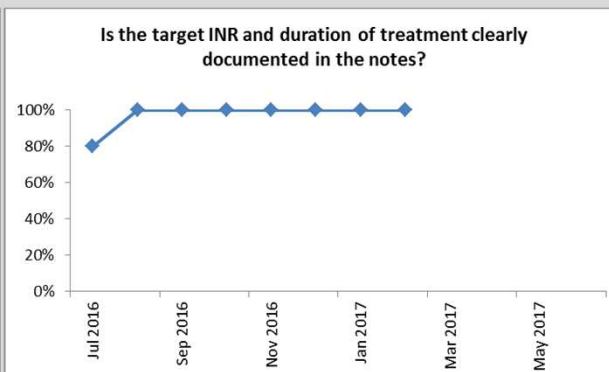
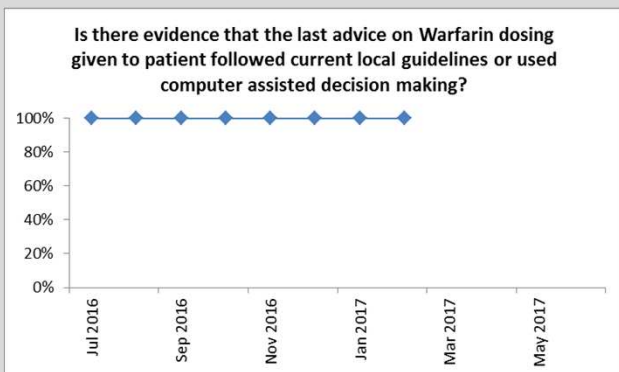
To measure INR testing and Warfarin doses

To decrease the amount of patient testing

To ensure patient is educated on why they are on warfarin

To ensure patient safety

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Key Ideas Tested

	Idea tested	Outcome (success or failure)	Advice/message for other practices
1	Sending out education regarding taking warfarin and food choices	More understanding and not having to test as often	Education has helped many of our patients
2	Advising patients that it is not necessary to test weekly especially if stable	Patients have been a little apprehensive in changing – scared? Of what may happen	Show patient Bpac guidelines to inform that weekly testing is not needed when stable
3	Using Bpac guidelines	Has been useful to determine the correct timing and to push testing out further	Good tool

Lowlights

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We have just transitioned with another practice and they had different warfarin monitoring practices.

INR readings written on paper in a folder.

Did not have INR ranges that were easily accessible.

Or why the patient was on Warfarin.

Many of the patients were testing weekly when they had been stable for 6 or more months.

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We as a team have gone through our new patients and added on:

- **Why the patient is on warfarin in classifications**
- **Their INR range in Alerts**
- **Giving education on how and when to take warfarin**
- **Taking food and medications into consideration**
- **And discussing when to test as weekly testing is unnecessary when blood tests have been stable**

Trigger Tool

Safety Climate Survey