Are you among the atrial fibrillation patients who have been told that you cannot take anticoagulant medications long term because of a history of bleeding — whether in the stomach, intestines or brain? Effectively reducing your stroke risk is still possible.

Cleveland Clinic’s Sydell and Arnold Miller Family Heart & Vascular Institute has combined specialists in electrophysiology, vascular medicine, gastroenterology and neurovascular medicine to provide a multidisciplinary approach to reducing stroke risk. Our Atrial Fibrillation Stroke Prevention Center team can work with you to assess your risk of stroke and bleeding and create an individualized care plan that best meets your needs, which may include medical or interventional treatment options.

UNDERSTANDING THE ROLES OF YOUR CARE TEAM MEMBERS

Here’s a quick look at what each of our experts does for you:

- **ELECTROPHYSIOLOGIST** – Evaluates your heart's electrical rhythm, treating irregular heartbeats (arrhythmias)
- **VASCULAR MEDICINE SPECIALIST** – An expert in treating blood vessel disorders, including clotting and bleeding issues
- **GASTROENTEROLOGIST** – Leads the effort in preventing stomach or intestinal bleeding
- **NEUROVASCULAR MEDICINE SPECIALIST** – Helps manage risk of bleeding in the brain
Meet our team

ATRIAL FIBRILLATION STROKE PREVENTION CENTER SPECIALISTS

Your initial consultation will be with an electrophysiologist from the Heart & Vascular Institute.

Cardiovascular Medicine (Electrophysiology)
Walid Saliba, MD
Oussama Wazni, MD

Other specialists from our multidisciplinary team may also take part in your care.

Cardiovascular Medicine (Interventional)
Samir Kapadia, MD
E. Murat Tuzcu, MD

Cardiovascular Medicine (Imaging)
Richard Grimm, DO
Wael Jaber, MD
L. Leonardo Rodriguez, MD

Vascular Medicine
John Bartholomew, MD

Neurovascular Medicine
Megan Donohue, MD
Muhammad Shazam Hussain, MD

Gastroenterology and Hepatology
Chung-Jyi Tsai, MD, PhD

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If you have any questions or would like to make an appointment at the Atrial Fibrillation Stroke Prevention Center, call 216.444.0400. Let the scheduling coordinator know if you are having acute symptoms.