PROGRAM DESCRIPTION
This program will provide a review of strategies to diagnose NVAF in patients with stroke and therapeutic alternatives for stroke prevention. Emphasis will be placed on strategies to identify patients at high risk of recurrent stroke and of complications from treatment, and ways to engage patients in shared decision-making. Faculty will review the evidence for long-term cardiac monitoring and the use of warfarin and new oral anticoagulants in stroke patients.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
Upon completion, participants should be able to:

– Understand the clinical situations that warrant long-term cardiac monitoring
– Identify the different options for long-term outpatient cardiac monitoring
– Describe the evidence that supports the use of warfarin and other oral anticoagulants to prevent recurrent stroke
– Use risk scores to identify patients most and least likely to benefit or be harmed from anticoagulation for stroke prevention
– Engage patients in the decision of which prophylactic agent to use based on their preferences

RECOMMENDED AUDIENCE
Practitioners, Academicians, Residents, and Fellows

CORE COMPETENCIES
Patient Care; Medical Knowledge; Interpersonal and Communication Skills; Practice-based Learning and Improvement; Professionalism; Systems-based Practice