



TRANSLATING EVIDENCE INTO PRACTICE

- **IMPLEMENTATION OF NHFA/CSANZ ACS GUIDELINES**

- **IMPLEMENTATION OF SSSL-AMI**

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Reducing time-to-care for patients with AMI: Stakeholder Forum

- Two existing guidelines relating to ACS:
 - NHFA/CSANZ Management of unstable angina – 2000
 - NHFA Reperfusion therapy for acute myocardial infarction - 2002
- Forum held in November 2003
- Involved specialists and representatives from key organisations, including:

Royal Australasian College of Physicians
Internal Medicine Society of Australia and
New Zealand

National Aboriginal Community
Controlled Health Organisation
National Institute of Clinical Studies
Australian Resuscitation Council

Royal College of Nursing

Australasian College of Emergency
Medicine

Australian College of Rural and Remote
Medicine

Department of Health and Ageing

Australian Cardiac Rehabilitation
Association

Royal Australian College of
General Practitioners

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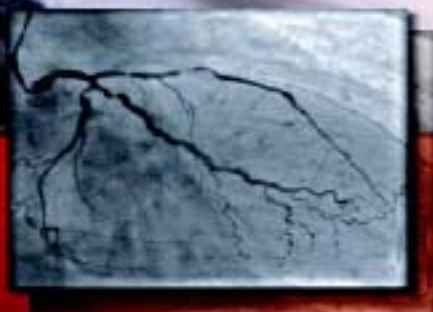
- **Aim** - to inform future work in:
 - Best practice care for the management of acute coronary syndromes (ACS)
 - Reducing patient delay in response to symptoms of AMI
- **Key outcomes:**
 1. Update and integration of existing guidelines into NHFA/CSANZ Guidelines for the management of acute coronary syndromes 2006
 2. Establishment of Chest Pain Working Group:
 - Key message - 'Chest pain – every minute counts'
 - Consumer/community Communication Strategy
 - Project due to be launch in mid 2007

ACS Implementation Plan

Four key areas for implementation activity:

- 1. Recommendations:** content of guidelines is updated to reflect latest evidence
- 2. Clinician knowledge/skills:** Intention is to transfer knowledge of 'best practice' management of ACS into practice through:
 - Awareness
 - Agreement
 - Adoption
 - Adherence

Guidelines for the management of acute coronary syndromes (ACS) 2006



National Heart Foundation of Australia and
Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand



