

Aortic News: Aortic Forum 2017

After a pause in the Saturday Aortic Forums over the last year, we held the 2017 Forum on Saturday 21/10/17.

Talks were given by Mr Omar Nawaytou, Mr Manoj Kuduvalli and Mr Mark Field as well as patient representative Mr Neil Townsend.

There was good discussion and an agreement to hold further events. The most popular idea was to start a “buddy” system whereby preoperative and post operative patients would be offered contact with a willing patient.

Patients attending all agreed this would be the most helpful system.

Willing patients names to act as buddies were collated and when our new Aortic ANP (Jamie Doolan) starts work in January 2018 he will ring around collecting names in all referring regions.

Buddies will then be offered to all patients. In addition, it was agreed that prior to the next Aortic Forum, patients would be contacted to gather opinion on content and focus.

