Key messages: The Heart Team approach

- Complex cardiovascular scenarios are getting more and more frequent in today’s clinical practice.
- Finding the best diagnostic and therapeutic approach with optimal time lines and best possible risk-to-benefit ratio for the individual patient is a challenge.
- A multidisciplinary **Heart Team** approach offers significant benefits to improve treatment and should improve outcome of patient’s with complex cardiovascular disease.
- Exchange and communication across traditional department structures is essential to constitute an effective **Heart Team**.
- Cardiologists, cardiac surgeons, imaging specialists, neurologists, pharmacologists, microbiologists, and other (sub-)specialities may join the **Heart Team** – always based on individual case needs and complexities.
- Set up the **Heart Team** at your centre noe to improve the quality of care in cardiovascular medicine at your institution!