Atrial fibrillation, which is an abnormal rapid heart rhythm coming from the upper chambers of the heart (atria), is the most common type of heart rhythm disorder or arrhythmia. Atrial fibrillation may be treated with drug therapy designed to either prevent the heart rate from going too fast during atrial fibrillation or with drug therapy designed to stop abnormal rhythm and maintain normal heart beating. Atrial fibrillation is also treated with catheters inserted into blood vessels that can be placed inside the heart to eliminate the hot spots or triggers that start atrial fibrillation or stop those conditions that keep it going (catheter ablation). It is not known whether drug therapy or catheter ablation is better. This trial is comparing drug therapy and catheter ablation in patients with atrial fibrillation. This trial will help decide which treatment approach is best or when one or the other therapy is preferred. The CABANA trial will also compare the cost of care for the two treatments approached and determine the effect these therapies have on quality of life.

For more information on this trial you can go to: [http://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT00911508?term=cabana&rank=1](http://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT00911508?term=cabana&rank=1)