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# 1685

HOW MODERN MEDICINE  
COULD HAVE CHANGED  
THE COURSE OF  
HISTORY

## THURSDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL at 10.30 a.m. on Zoom

King Charles II fell ill on Sunday 1 February 1685. His illness progressed, despite, or perhaps because of, the efforts of his physicians, using contemporary methods of treatment, based on humoral theory. He died just before noon on Friday 6 February. He left no heir to the throne, and after the brief reign of his brother, James II, also childless, William III took the throne by force in the Glorious Revolution of 1688. What was Charles's final illness? Could modern medicine have prolonged his life? And could it have provided him with an heir, thereby changing the succession?

**Dr Jeffrey Aronson**, Consultant Physician and Clinical Pharmacologist, Department of Primary Care Health Sciences; Emeritus Fellow of Green Templeton College will tell the history of Charles' illnesses and discuss the reasons why modern medicine could have changed the course of history.

10.15.-10.30 Entry to the meeting

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