

SAMPLE FLORIDA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES STROKE-TRIAGE ASSESSMENT TOOL

DATE & TIMES

Date:	Dispatch Time:	EMS Arrival Time:	EMS Departure Time:	ED Arrival Time:
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BASIC DATA

Patient Name	Age _____	Gender _____
Witness(es) Name	Witness(es) Phone <i>(Cell Phone #, Home #, Work #)</i>	
Last Time Known To Be at Baseline Neuro Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Wake Up	
Blood Glucose Level		

Stroke Scale	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; margin-bottom: 5px;">Stroke Screening Tool</div> <input type="checkbox"/> Im B alance <input type="checkbox"/> E yes (Loss/Double Vision) <input type="checkbox"/> F acial Droop <input type="checkbox"/> A rm and/or Leg Drift <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal S peech Scale used: <input type="checkbox"/> CPSS ^o <input type="checkbox"/> LAPSS ^o <input type="checkbox"/> BE-FAST ^o Other: _____
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; margin-bottom: 5px;">Stroke Severity Tools</div> [Predictive of Large Vessel Occlusion (LVO ^o)] <input type="checkbox"/> LAMS ^o <input type="checkbox"/> RACE ^o <input type="checkbox"/> C-STAT ^o <input type="checkbox"/> FAST-ED ^o <input type="checkbox"/> VAN ^o <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ Numerical score: _____ Cortical signs (circle): Y N (Gaze, Aphasia and/or Neglect)

STROKE ALERT CRITERIA

OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA, IF ANSWER IS YES TO ALL, CALL STROKE ALERT	YES	NO
1. Onset <24 hours including unknown onset and wake up stroke?		
2. Any abnormal focal neurological findings on stroke scale and/or neurological exam?		
3. Absence of head trauma causing deficits?		
4. No return to baseline after hypoglycemic treatment?		
Additional Stroke Alert Criteria: IF ANY ABNORMAL, CALL STROKE ALERT		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IF ABNORMAL
Suspicion of head bleed (SAH/ICH) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sudden worst-ever headache Sudden & unexplained decreased level of consciousness Consider when: onset of symptoms after activity, nausea/vomiting, neck stiffness, acute onset GCS<15 and/or significantly elevated blood pressure 		

STROKE TRIAGE CRITERIA

FOR ALL STROKE ALERTS: TRANSPORT EMERGENTLY to closest appropriate stroke center. (If multiple stroke center destinations exist, consideration should be made for triage to the highest-level stroke center, not exceeding an **additional transport time of approximately 20 minutes.**)

CSC/TSC Priority Criteria: If any of the following items are checked **TRANSPORT EMERGENTLY to a CSC/TSC** if available within approximately **45 to 60 minutes.**

1. Onset > 3.5 and < 24 hours, including wake up stroke and unknown onset stroke	
2. High Suspicion of Major Stroke / LVO on Stroke Severity Scale (i.e. +Cortical signs)	
3. High suspicion of SAH/ICH	
4. IV Lytic Contraindications (e.g. blood thinners, recent surgery, prior head bleed etc.)	

BE-FAST = Balance Eyes Face Arm Speech Time
 CSC = Comprehensive Stroke Center
 CPSS = Cincinnati Pre-Hospital Stroke Severity scale
 FAST-ED = Field Assessment Stroke Triage for Emergency Destination
 GCS = Glasgow Coma Scale
 LAMS = Los Angeles Motor Scale
 VAN = Vision Aphasia Neglect

LAPSS = Los Angeles Pre-Hospital Stroke Score
 LVO = Large Vessel Occlusion
 PSC = Primary Stroke Center
 RACE = Rapid Arterial Occlusion Evaluation
 TSC = Thrombectomy Capable Stroke Center
 ASRH = Acute Stroke Ready Hospital

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