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Code Stroke Inpatient STAT
Diet

☑ Print Supportive Documents for Network Downtime
_SD NIH Stroke Scale

☑ Diet
NPO, No exceptions, NPO until nursing completes the Dysphagia Screen (Includes oral medications)

☑ Dysphagia Screen
If patient passes the screen, then advance diet as tolerated to Cardiac Diet
Comments: If patient fails the screen, patient to remain NPO (Includes oral meds)

Patient Care

NIH Stroke Scale(NOTE)*

☑ Provider Communication
Complete National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale (NIHSS) assessment upon admission and discharge.

☑ Vital Signs (Frequent)
Every 15 Minutes until ordered otherwise

☑ Notify If
SBP greater than 185 mmHg or DBP greater than 110 mmHg. Notify attending Provider when patient is 48 hours post stroke to determine new blood pressure goals.

☑ Neuro Checks (Frequent)
Every 15 Minutes until ordered otherwise, Notify Provider immediately if neurological deterioration or seizure activity, headache, nausea/vomiting.

☑ Education
Stroke Teaching, Provide and document individualized teaching and Stroke Education booklet prior to discharge

☑ Bedside Glucose Monitoring
Stat, Notify Provider of result

Laboratory

☑ CBC with Differential
BLOOD, Stat, CODE STROKE

☑ PT (Protime) INR
BLOOD, Stat, CODE STROKE

☑ PTT
BLOOD, Stat, CODE STROKE

☑☐ Fibrinogen Level
BLOOD, Stat, CODE STROKE

☑ Basic Metabolic Panel
BLOOD, Stat, CODE STROKE

☑ Lipid Profile with Reflex
BLOOD, Stat, CODE STROKE

☐ C-Reactive Protein
BLOOD, Stat, CODE STROKE

☐ Sedimentation Rate (ESR)
BLOOD, Stat, CODE STROKE

☐ Comprehensive Metabolic Panel
BLOOD, Stat, CODE STROKE

☑ Troponin-I
BLOOD, Stat, CODE STROKE

☑ Troponin I Highly Sensitive Random
BLOOD, Stat, CODE STROKE

☑ Troponin T HS (Random)
BLOOD, Stat, CODE STROKE

☐ Troponin Protocol(SUB)*

Tests/Procedures

If ordering CT or CTA, Provider must include last known well time and stroke symptoms in order:(NOTE)*

☑ CT Brain without Contrast 70450
Stretcher, Stat, CODE STROKE. Question acute stroke, Possible thrombolytic, Provider to evaluate patient prior to test

NLBHH / NLEMMC / NLMCH / NLSVH use this order:(NOTE)*

☑ CT CTA Head & Neck 70471
Stretcher, CODE STROKE, Stat

NLARGH / NLMERCY use these orders:(NOTE)*

☐ CT CTA Neck 70498
Stretcher, CODE STROKE, Stat

☐ CT CTA Head 70496
Stretcher, CODE STROKE, Stat

If ANY of the follow are true, screen for suspected LVO: - NIHSS of 6 or greater - FAST ED of 4 or greater - Cortical signs - LKW less than 6 hours(NOTE)*

☐ CT Cerebral Perfusion w CT/CTA 70472
Stretcher, CODE STROKE, Expedite

☐ CT Cerebral Perfusion wo CT/CTA 70473
Stretcher, CODE STROKE, Expedite

☑ CV ECG
Priority Stat, Reason Other (Enter in Special Instructions), Stroke Symptoms

☐ XR Chest Portable
ONCE, Portable, Expedite, CODE STROKE. Assess for mediastinal widening, Possible thrombolytic

Between 0 – 4.5 hours of Symptom Onset or Last Known Well(NOTE)*
- Adult patients with Acute Ischemic Stroke (AIS) symptoms presenting within 4.5 hours of Symptom Onset
- OR within 4.5 hours of Last Seen Well(NOTE)*

☐ CT Brain without Contrast 70450
Stat, CODE STROKE - Question Acute Stroke, possible thrombolytic

☐ CT CTA Head & Neck 70471
Stretcher, Acute Stroke, Stat

EMMC Only: IF patient has suspected or confirmed large vessel occlusion (LVO), add CTP(NOTE)*

☐ CT Cerebral Perfusion w CT/CTA 70472
Stretcher, Acute Stroke, Expedite

Between 4.5 – 9 hours of Symptom Onset or Last Known Well or within 9 hours of the sleep midpoint(NOTE)*
- Adult patients with AIS symptoms identified within 9 hours of the midpoint of sleep (EXAMPLE: patient goes to bed at 9 pm and wakes up with stroke symptoms at 5 am, with symptoms being identified by staff at 7 am; midpoint is 1 am and is within the 9 hours of midpoint of sleep).
- OR within 9 hours but no exact symptom onset time(NOTE)*

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☐ CT CTA Head & Neck 70471
Stretcher, Acute Stroke, Stat

☐ CT Cerebral Perfusion w CT/CTA 70472
CODE STROKE – Question Acute Stroke, possible thrombolytic, Stat

Between 9 – 24 hours of Symptom Onset or Last Known Well(NOTE)*
- Adult patients with AIS symptoms presenting within 9 – 24 hours of Symptom Onset
- Or within 24 hours of Last Seen Well(NOTE)*

☐ CT Brain without Contrast 70450

Stat, CODE STROKE - Question Acute Stroke, possible thrombolytic

☐ CT CTA Head & Neck 70471

Stretcher, Acute Stroke, Stat

EMMC Only: IF patient has suspected or confirmed large vessel occlusion (LVO), add CTP(NOTE)*

☐ CT Cerebral Perfusion w CT/CTA 70472

Stretcher, Acute Stroke, Expedite

Between 0 – 24 hours of Symptom Onset or Last Known Well AND HAS CONTRAINDICATIONS FOR IV THROMBOLYTICS(NOTE)*

- Adult patients presenting with AIS symptoms
- AND cannot receive IV thrombolytics(NOTE)*

☐ CT Brain without Contrast 70450

Stat, CODE STROKE - Question Acute Stroke

☐ CT CTA Head & Neck 70471

Stretcher, Acute Stroke, Stat

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Stretcher, Acute Stroke, Expedite

Consults

☐ INP Physician Consult

Neurology: All cases to be discussed with Neurology

Comments: Provider must make phone call to initiate consult.

Non Categorized

Providers must exercise independent clinical judgment when using order sets.(NOTE)*

This order set was last reviewed February 2025(NOTE)*

***Report Legend:**

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