

Acute Stroke Audit Tool

	Y	N	N/A	Comments
■ Was stroke code initiated & time documented?				
■ Was stroke code called in a timely fashion?				
■ Did a designated practitioner respond to bedside within 15 minutes & was this documented?				
■ If using telestroke, was it present in room prior to patient arrival & time initiated & physician who responded documented?				
■ Were the time parameters included in the stroke assessment protocol or ED stroke protocol documented?				
■ Were the time parameters included in the stroke assessment protocol or ED stroke protocol met?				
■ Was the NIHSS done for the initial assessment as defined by organizational policy?				
■ Was a blood glucose level done?				
■ Was a CT of the head completed within 25 minutes of patient presentation with stroke symptoms?				
■ Was the interpretation of the head CT by a physician completed within 20 minutes & documented?				
■ Was the head CT interpretation documented with time and who was called with the result?				
■ Were lab tests (CBC with platelets, PT/INR, blood chemistries & troponin) done within 45 minutes of patient presentation, if ordered?				
■ Was EKG done within 45 minutes of patient presentation, if ordered?				
■ Was chest X-ray done within 45 minutes of patient presentation, if ordered?				
■ Was a swallowing screen done prior to patient receiving anything by mouth?				
■ Was actual patient weight obtained?				
■ If patient eligible, was the tPA door to needle time <60 minutes?				
■ If patient was eligible for tPA and did not receive it, was the reason documented?				
■ Was the NIHSS stroke scale done per organizational policy?				
■ Were vital signs done per order post tPA?				
■ Were neuro assessments done per order?				
■ Were neuro assessments complete per organizational policy?				
■ Were labs drawn, IV started, & foley inserted, if ordered, prior to IV tPA being started?				
■ Was the time & amount of bolus dose of IV tPA documented?				
■ Was the time and amount of IV drip of tPA documented?				
■ Was the patient transferred to another facility and, if so, was the time documented?				
■ If patient admitted, was he or she admitted to an appropriate stroke ICU or floor?				
■ If patient admitted, was the stroke order set implemented?				
■ Other:				