

STROKE DESTINATION PROTOCOL

Time of Onset Known

SUSPECTED STROKE:

- Determine TSO: TIME OF STROKE ONSET¹
- Determine LSN: LAST SEEN NORMAL¹
- Determine TSN: TIME SYMPTOMS NOTED¹
- Perform VAN assessment

Time of Stroke Onset Known?

NO

SEE OTHER SIDE

YES

Suspected LVO?
(VAN)

YES

TSO < 4.5
hours

Transport to closest
endovascular* capable
facility if < 15 min²
additional transport
time
**Otherwise transport to
closest stroke facility**

TSO 4.5 –
24 hours

Transport to closest
endovascular* capable
facility if < 30 min²
additional transport
time
**Otherwise transport to
closest stroke facility**

TSO > 24
hours

Transport to closest
stroke facility
(Excluding SCOED)

NO

TSO < 4.5
hours

Transport to closest
stroke facility

TSO > 4.5
hours

Transport to closest
stroke facility
(Excluding Stroke
Capable Off-Site ED)

Guiding Principles:

¹ When stroke is witnessed TSO, LSN, and TSN are the same.

² Additional transport time is calculated by considering drive time from scene to each facility.

Stroke Facility Definitions: *Endovascular Capable

*CSC: Comprehensive Stroke Center

*TSC: Thrombectomy Capable Stroke Center

*PSC-E: Primary Stroke Center with Endovascular (May not be 24/7. Contact LCC to verify)

PSC: Primary Stroke Center

ASRH: Acute Stroke Ready Hospital

SCOED: Stroke Capable Off Site ED