

# EMS Stroke Screen

(Adopted from Los Angeles Prehospital Stroke Screen)

1. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

3. Age: \_\_\_\_\_

4. History from:

- Patient
- Family Member
- Other

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name Phone  
(encourage witness to come to the hospital or bring them)

5. Last time patient known to be symptom-free was @ \_\_\_\_\_ Military Time:  < 6 hours  
 > 6 hours  
 unknown

6. Nature of Deficit:

- Weakness →  R  L
- Numbness →  R  L
- Loss of vision/double vision  other \_\_\_\_\_
- Difficulty walking
- Speech difficulties
- Loss of consciousness
- Vertigo

7. History of seizures or epilepsy:  Yes  Unknown  No

8. At baseline, patient is wheelchair bound or bedridden:  Yes  Unknown  No

## Screening Criteria:

9. Symptom duration **less than** 6 hours:  Yes  Unknown  No

10. Blood Glucose (\_\_\_\_\_ mg/dL) > 50 mg/dl:  Yes  No

11. Exam: **Look for Obvious Asymmetry**

	Normal	Right	Left
Facial Smile/Grimace:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Droop	<input type="checkbox"/> Droop
Grip:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Weak	<input type="checkbox"/> Weak
Arm Strength:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Drifts Down	<input type="checkbox"/> Drifts Down
Speech:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal	

Based on exam, patient has only unilateral (not both sides) weakness:  Yes  Unknown  No

12. Items 9, 10, 11, are all yes (or unknown) – Screening criteria met:  Yes  Unknown  No

13. If criteria met, call ED with “Stroke Alert,” and relay info to triage nurse. If not then return to the appropriate treatment protocol. (Note: the patient may still be experiencing a stroke even if the criteria are not met.)

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