

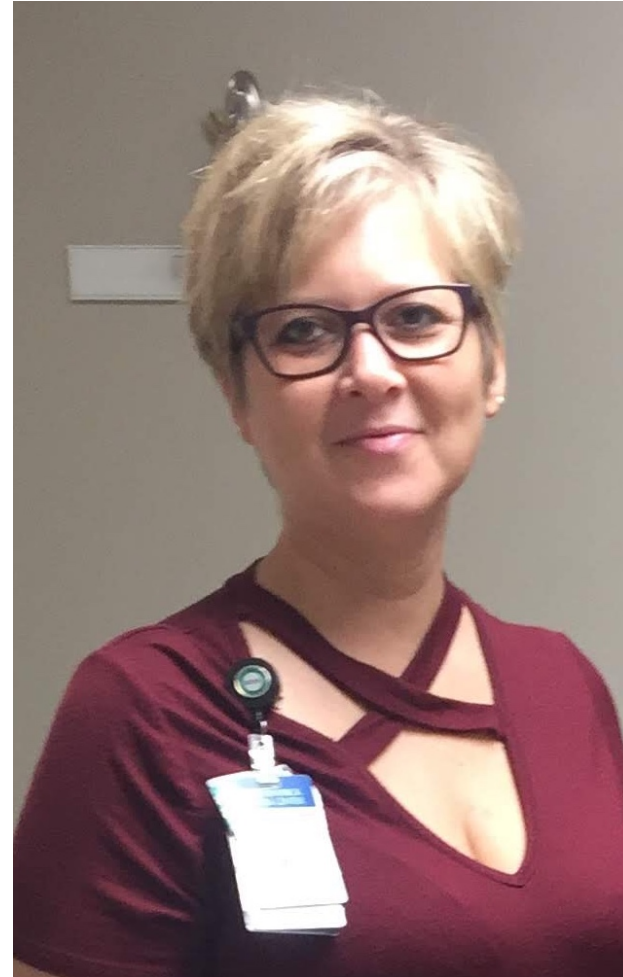
BE FAST

STROKE SYMPTOM ASSESSMENT

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FAST VERSUS BE FAST

- ❖ 11% OF STROKES ARE POSTERIOR STROKES
- ❖ NATIONWIDE 37% OF POSTERIOR STROKES WERE MISSED WITH "FAST"
- ❖ ADDED "B" FOR BALANCE AND "E" FOR EYES OR VISION DISTURBANCE: BOTH ARE SPECIFIC SYMPTOMS FOR POSTERIOR STROKES

B: BALANCE LOSS

BBALANCE

Loss of balance, headache or dizziness



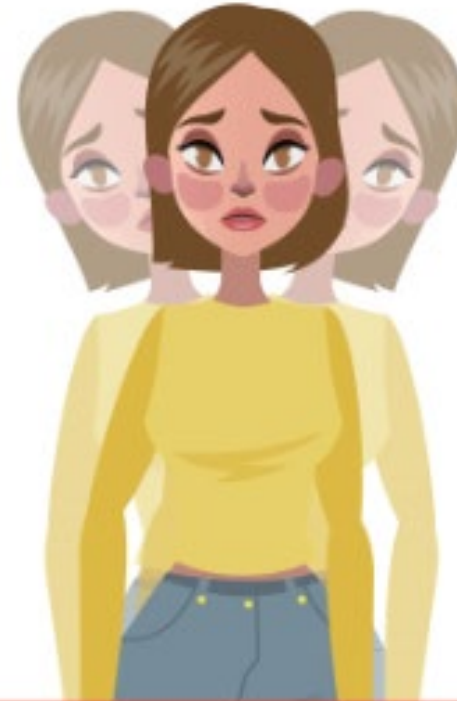
**UNEXPLAINED
DIZZINESS**

E: EYES BLURRED

EYES

Blurred vision

Or sudden onset of
vision loss



BLURRED VISION

F: FACE DROOPING

FACE

One side of the face is drooping



FACE DROOPING

A: ARM WEAKNESS OR DRIFT

A RMS

Arm or leg weakness



ARM WEAKNESS

S: SPEECH DIFFICULTY

SPEECH
Speech difficulty



**SPEECH
DIFFICULTES**

T: TIME OF ONSET OF SYMPTOMS AND TIME TO CALL 911

TIME

Time to call for ambulance immediately

Don't wait - Call 911



SUDDEN ONSET OF SEVERE HEADACHE: COULD BE HEAD BLEED DUE TO HYPERTENSION OR ANEURYSM



TIPS AND TRICKS TO REDUCE DOOR IN AND DOOR OUT TIMES: DECREASE TIME TO TREATMENT

CALL TRANSFER LINE

- ❖ CALL TRANSFER LINE ASAP
- ❖ GIVE DIAGNOSIS OF STROKE
- ❖ LAST KNOWN WELL < 12 HOURS
- ❖ ? CT RESULT (WHAT KIND OF STROKE)
- ❖ WAS CLOT BUSTING MEDICATION GIVEN
- ❖ MUST BE WITHIN 3-4.5 HOURS OF LKW
- ❖ IF YES: TIME OF BOLUS & DOSE
- ❖ IF NO: WHAT MEDICATIONS & HISTORY

CALL TRANSFER LINE

- ❖ **START TRANSFER ARRANGEMENTS ASAP**
- ❖ **WAS CTA DONE & RESULTS**
- ❖ **FAX CHART TO ER IF ABLE**



QUESTIONS

American Heart Association