

NEUROLOGIC EMERGENCIES
N-4 / ACUTE CEREBROVASCULAR ACCIDENT (STROKE)

<p>PRIORITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ ABCs.➤ Airway maintenance, support respiration, prevent body injury.➤ Identify and document neurologic deficits such as found in the (Cincinnati Stroke Scale) motor weakness – arm drift, facial droop, speech disturbances, paralysis, aphasia, headache, visual problems and altered mental status AND the time of symptom onset.➤ Early transport➤ EARLY CONTACT OF RECEIVING HOSPITAL.	<p>FINAL</p> <p>DECEMBER</p> <p>2006</p>
<p>PATIENT TREATMENT GUIDELINES</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Stabilize airway;➤ OXYGEN THERAPY – high flow as tolerated. Be prepared to support ventilations with appropriate airway adjuncts;➤ Position of comfort, left lateral decubitus if vomiting;➤ CARDIAC MONITOR;➤ IV NS TKO; Complete blood glucose check and treat hypoglycemia, blood sugar = 60 mg/dl.	
<p>DISRUPTED COMMUNICATIONS</p> <p>In the event that a Solano County EMT-P is UNABLE to make physician contact for orders, the paramedic MAY NOT utilize those areas of the protocol needing physician direction and MUST TRANSPORT IMMEDIATELY TO THE CLOSEST FACILITY.</p>	