Suspected Stroke

ADULT

BLS Procedures

Administer oxygen for SpO2 less than 94%

Perform Stroke Assessment

- Cincinnati Prehospital Stroke Scale (CPSS)
- Time Last Known Well
- Determine Blood Glucose level

ALS Standing Orders

IV/IO access

Cardiac monitor

Patients meeting Stroke Alert criteria:

- Cincinnati Prehospital Stroke Scale (CPSS) 1 or more Abnormal results
- Time Last Known Well (TLKW) within 24 hours
- Blood Glucose > 60 mg/dl
- Notify Base hospital within 10 minutes of identifying a Stroke Alert
- Expedite transport to appropriate Acute Stroke Center (ASC)

Patients meeting LVO Alert criteria (3 + 1):

- CPSS Score of 3 Abnormal results for facial droop, arm drift, and speech
- + Ventura County LVO Score (VES) of 1 or more 1 or more Abnormal results
- Time Last Known Well (TLKW) within 24 hours
- Blood Glucose > 60 mg/dl
- Notify TCASC within 10 minutes of identifying an LVO Alert
- Expedite transport to appropriate Thrombectomy Capable Acute Stroke Center (TCASC)

Base Hospital Orders Only

Consult with ED Physician for further treatment measure

Additional Information

<u>Cincinnati Prehospital Stroke Scale (CPSS)</u>
<u>Ventura County LVO Score (VES)</u>

Facial Droop Forced Eye Deviation

Normal: Both sides of face move equally

Abnormal: One side of face does not move normally Aphasia

Arm Drift Neglect

Normal: Both arms move equally or not at all

Abnormal: One arm does not move, or one arm drifts Obtundation

down compared with the other side

Speech

Normal: Patient uses correct words with no slurring Abnormal: Slurred or inappropriate words or mute

- Document name and phone number in ePCR of person who observed patient's Time Last Known Well (TLKW), and report this information to the receiving facility.
- Refer to VCEMS Policy 451 for CPSS, VES and alert criteria details.

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