

<b>Suspected Stroke</b>	
<b>ADULT</b>	
<b>BLS Procedures</b>	
Cincinnati Stroke Scale (CSS)	
Administer oxygen as indicated	
Administer oxygen if SpO2 less than 94% or unknown	
Determine Blood Glucose level, treat according to VC EMS policy 705.03 – Altered Neurologic Function	
<b>ALS Standing Orders</b>	
IV/IO access	
Cardiac monitor – document initial and ongoing rhythm strips	
If not already performed by BLS personnel, determine Blood Glucose level, treat according to VC EMS policy 705.03 – Altered Neurologic Function	
Patients meeting Stroke Alert criteria as defined in VC EMS Policy 451:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notify Base hospital within 10 minutes of identifying a Stroke Alert</li> <li>• Expedite transport to appropriate Acute Stroke Center (ASC).</li> </ul>	
Patients meeting ELVO Alert criteria as defined in VC EMS Policy 451:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notify TCASC within 10 minutes of identifying an ELVO Alert</li> <li>• Expedite transport to appropriate Thrombectomy Capable Acute Stroke Center (TCASC).</li> </ul>	
<b>Base Hospital Orders Only</b>	
Consult with ED Physician for further treatment measure	
<b>Additional Information</b>	
<u>Cincinnati Stroke Scale (CSS)</u>	<u>Ventura County ELVO Score (VES)</u>
Facial Droop	Forced Eye Deviation
Normal: Both sides of face move equally	
Abnormal: One side of face does not move normally	
Arm Drift	Aphasia
Normal: Both arms move equally or not at all	
Abnormal: One arm does not move, or one arm drifts down compared with the other side	Neglect
Speech	Obtundation
Normal: Patient uses correct words with no slurring	
Abnormal: Slurred or inappropriate words or mute	Refer to VC EMS Policy 451 for Detailed VES.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patients must meet Stroke Alert criteria in order to continue to VES</li> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• Stroke patients in cardiac arrest with sustained ROSC (greater than 30 seconds) shall be transported to the nearest STEMI Receiving Center (SRC).</li> <li>• For seizure activity, refer to VC EMS Policy 705.20 Seizure.</li> </ul>	