



September 17th 2021 Meeting Minutes

Topic	Discussion
Call to order	Dr. Gene Latorre- Meeting called to order 10:03
Meeting Minutes Approval	Minutes approved from June meeting.
Chairman Update	<p>Dr. Gene Latorre presented recently-released stroke system of care updates from the AHA/ASA. Important policy statement recommendations include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Region-specific Stroke System of Care (SSOC) should be developed by all local stakeholders • Stroke advisory committees should be created • Destination Plans • Public Education • 911-Stroke Screening for potential stroke patients with EMS dispatch priority • Integration of regional EMS into the SSOC • Coordinated interfacility transport <p>Major highlights for rural stroke systems of care included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure local availability of thrombolysis 24/7 for patients within 4.5hr LKW • Ensure efficient transport of suspected LVO to CSC/TSC • Direct transport of suspected LVO • To ASRH/PSC if no CSC/TSC within 60 min of ground transport • To TSC if within 60 min (and no CSC) • To CSC if within 60 min (and additional transport time beyond nearest TSC does not exceed 30 min) • EMS destination plans should prioritize rural hospitals with formal collaboration agreements (e.g. telestroke) with regional CSC (or TSC) <p>The recommendations also outlined the four types of available stroke hospitals, listed by available characteristics at each level.</p> <p>The full presentation is available attached to these minutes.</p>
Old Business	The enhanced FAST-ED video roll-out was discussed.

Attendees: G. Latorre, J. Onyan, J. Brenner, J. Moore, M. Cox, M. Vallelunga, O. Kaskov, R. Turrin, R. Zhovklaya, J. Dlugolecki, S. Delaney, P. Veinot, B. Medvie, M. Yelton, A. Smith, B. Casscles, M. Simpson, M. Yelton, V. Ouimette, A. Rowe
 Excused: M. Gray

<p>New Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Josh introduced the idea of creating an additional FAST-ED video for EMS that focuses on the scoring for large vessel strokes. This is increasingly important as the AHA/ASA prehospital guidance updates discussed by Dr. Latorre suggested the use of a stroke severity tool. Josh and Raisa will continue to work with Ann and Susie to keep this moving. Josh also mentioned that the Rochester area has adapted FAST-ED as a stroke severity tool and is looking to develop an educational video as well. • Dr. Latorre also suggested introducing FAST-ED stroke symptoms to the community as public education. Josh will reach out to the stroke hospitals for their input on this idea. • Dr. Latorre reviewed the current bylaws with the group and suggested edits were discussed. There was additional discussion on the council officer term and election process. Josh and a sub-committee consisting of Michelle Vallelunge, Dr. Jay Brenner, and Ann Smith will meet as a sub-committee to create options for the group to vote on at the December meeting. • Josh and Dr. Latorre discussed Upstate’s recent transition to IV Teneceplase use for suspected stroke. Josh reminded the group that AHA/ASA offered Tenecteplase as a non-inferior stroke treatment to Alteplase. Tenecteplase for the treatment of acute ischemic stroke is not FDA approved as of yet, but Josh indicated that the administration safety and bolus-only process is attractive to accrediting bodies such as DNV. Josh will share with the group references, samples of policy and procedure that would help other hospitals consider transitioning to tenecteplase from alteplase. • Josh briefly mentioned to the group that the updated DNV Comprehensive Stroke Standards are expected to be released on October 1, 2021. He will share any major highlights with the group as needed in the December meeting.
<p>New York States Updates/</p>	<p>No Coverdell of major DOH updates at this time.</p>
<p>Regional Reports/Round Table</p>	<p>No new stroke center designations to report at this time.</p> <p>Ava Hudson was welcomed as the new stroke coordinator at Canton Potsdam Hospital.</p> <p>Amy Rowe PA was also welcomed as the from Community Memorial Hospital.</p>

Educational Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Upstate continues to hold its Virtual RUSH Presentation Series. The next noon session will be on Wednesday 10/13 and will feature Upstate's Dr. Karen Albright (Disparities in Recurrent Stroke Risk) and Upstate's Dr. Christina Zaccarini (Stroke Rehabilitation). Registration and more information can be found at https://www.upstate.edu/stroke/rush2021.php• The Northeastern Cerebrovascular Consortium (NECC) will hold its annual conference on Friday, October 22nd. More information can be found at www.thenecc.org
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 11:14
Next Meeting:	Friday, December 17 th , 2021 10 am Via Zoom: https://upstate.zoom.us/j/95835959890