

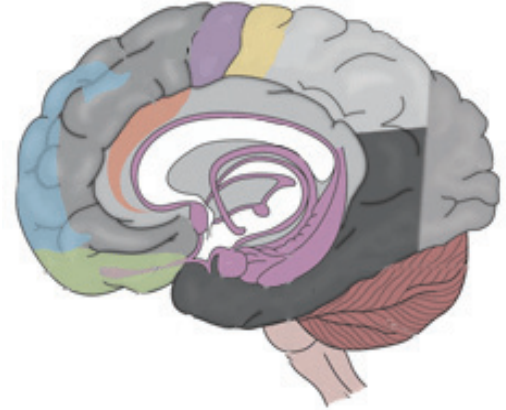
Time is Brain. Every Second Counts!

Access to immediate care is paramount when suffering a stroke.

York Hospital offers the expertise to evaluate and provide comprehensive stroke treatment here AND we also have the ability to facilitate world class care and access to clinical trials through an affiliation with Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. Knowing that minutes matter when a patient presents with stroke symptoms, York Hospital can travel the 60+ miles to Boston's Massachusetts General Hospital in about 60 seconds to gain the expert care and services of stroke-fellowship trained physicians when needed.

Our "TeleStroke system" utilizes video equipment that sends a video feed of patients here at York Hospital to Boston real time so that specialists at Massachusetts General Hospital can assess the patient's condition on a monitoring screen and can communicate and interact with clinicians, the patient and family members. It's almost like having the Boston doctors right in the room! Diagnostic test results such as CT Scans and blood work are also sent electronically to help with diagnosis and treatment plans. Some cases may necessitate the need to immediately transfer the patient to Massachusetts General Hospital for advanced care. For this, we utilize helicopter transport to get the patient to Boston as soon as possible where a waiting team of specialists is prepped and ready to go.

If you or someone you love experience symptoms of a stroke, DO NOT WAIT! A stroke is a brain injury that occurs when the brain's blood supply is interrupted. Without oxygen and nutrients from blood, brain tissue starts to die rapidly, resulting in a sudden loss of function. Seeking treatment right away is imperative! Treatment as close to the onset of stroke symptoms as possible improves the chance for survival and may also reduce the amount of disability resulting from the stroke.



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