



**Buffalo General Medical Center**  
**Gates Vascular Institute**  
*A Kaleida Health Facility*

## **EMS ACUTE STROKE PRENOTIFICATION GUIDELINES**

Pre notify BGMC/GVI ED of all acute stroke patients with symptom onset within the last 12 hours

Call Medical Direction: **(716) 748 - 2090.**

Start Prearrival call stating **“this is a stroke alert”**

### **Pre arrival notification information:**

- **Name, date of birth**
- **Last Known Well – actual date and time**
- **Cincinnati Pre Hospital Stroke Score (positive 0 – 3)**
- **Stroke symptoms**
- **Blood pressure, glucose level**
- **Cell phone number for a family member.**  
*Tell family to listen for phone call.*
- **E.T.A.**

### **Additional information which must be provided at triage:**

- **History of TIA or Stroke**
- **History of recent seizure, surgery, trauma or bleeding**
- **Medications, especially blood thinners**
- **Height, Weight**
- **Allergies**

The New York State Department of Health Treatment Protocols and The Western Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee both recommend notifying the receiving hospital as soon as possible of the impending arrival of an acute stroke patient to promote rapid treatment of the patient. BGMC/GVI Goals for treatment from time of arrival: IV TPA  $\leq$  45 minutes, IA endovascular intervention  $\leq$  90 minutes.