

STROKE SYSTEMS MUST WORK LIKE CLOCKWORK

Stroke is a time-sensitive condition that must be diagnosed and treated right away for the best chance of survival and recovery. Strokes—even severe ones—are survivable if the following four things are able to “work like clockwork.”

STEP 4:

UNDERGO THROMBECTOMY

This minimally invasive surgery can remove a clot quickly, restoring blood flow to the brain and reducing disability.

STEP 1:

RECOGNIZE SYMPTOMS OF STROKE

Remember Be F.A.S.T. (Face drooping, Arm weakness, Slurred speech, Time to call 911).

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Learn more about the latest science of stroke triage and treatment at www.getaheadofstroke.org.

Get Ahead of Stroke is a national public education and advocacy campaign designed to improve systems of care for stroke patients. Founded in 2016 by the Society of NeuroInterventional Surgery (SNIS), today the campaign is supported by a coalition of organizations with the goal of securing the best possible outcomes for stroke patients by driving policy change and public awareness nationwide.

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