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CHANGING MINDS
The Importance of Stroke Awareness

EACH YEAR 700,000 PEOPLE IN THE UNITED STATES SUFFER A STROKE.
THAT’S 1 STROKE EVERY 45 SECONDS.

TIME LOST IS BRAIN LOST.
Approximately 40% of people cannot identify a single symptom of stroke. But the longer a stroke is allowed to progress, the more brain tissue will be lost.

Learn the symptoms for a FAST response.

**FACE**
One side of the face may droop or become numb.

**ARM**
One arm may become weak or numb.

**SPEECH**
Speech may become slurred and the person may be unable to speak or be hard to understand.

**TIME**
When someone shows any of these symptoms, call 911 immediately.

The clot-busting drug IV t-PA has proven effective when administered within 3 hours of suffering a stroke
• There is a 32% chance the patient will have an improved outcome.

Women account for approximately 43 percent of strokes that occur each year, but they account for 61 percent of stroke deaths.

For each decade after age 55, the risk of stroke doubles. However, each year 28 percent of people who suffer a stroke are under age 65.

Choose the region’s only Comprehensive Stroke Center.

Call the Stroke Line at (801) 587-9935 or visit stroke.uofuhealth.org