

FIRST RESPONDER INITIAL CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE OR RE-LICENSING PRACTICAL EVALUATION

3.29 Stroke

Key Performance Outcomes

- Manage a stroke patient

Patient Instructions

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| C/C: | Provided by the spouse - "Severe headache - possible stroke" |
| HxC/C: | Provided by spouse - sudden onset (about 20 minutes ago) of a severe headache and now he can't talk and he can't move his right arm |
| Pain Assessment (PQRST) | N/A |
| Relevant symptoms: | Facial droop, incontinent of urine |
| Relevant past Med Hx: | High blood pressure and glaucoma |
| Medications: | Aldactone, Lopressor, and Vasotec for your high blood pressure and OptiPranolol for your glaucoma |
| Allergies: | Demerol |
| Other: | You are portraying a patient in their 70's. You are confused and unable to talk. If attempted, you have decreased grip strength on right side You are found lying supine on the couch. |

Scenario Information

Dispatch Information

You are dispatched to a residence for a possible stroke

Scene Information

You are met by the wife who tells you that she thinks her husband has had a stroke. You are directed into the living room where you see a male patient lying supine on the couch. Upon approach you notice that he is awake and looking at you but not talking.

Witnessed or Secondary Information (as required)

If asked, the spouse can provide the following information - sudden onset (about 20 minutes ago) of a severe headache and now he can't talk and he can't move his right arm

| Criteria | Relevant findings | | Required actions | |
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| RSE | Safe | | | |
| LOC | Awake, appears very confused, and is unable to talk | | Calm and reassure patient | |
| D | None | | | |
| A | Open and clear | | | |
| B | Present and adequate | | | |
| C | Radial pulse strong and bounding | | | |
| RBS | Facial droop, right side of body not moving, and incontinent of urine | | Notice facial droop, paralysis of right side, and incontinence | |
| Critical Interventions | Manage a stroke patient | | Leave patient supine but elevate head and shoulders and oxygen therapy | |
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| Med Hx | High blood pressure and glaucoma | | | |
| Medication | Aldactone, Lopressor, and Vasotec for your high blood pressure and OptiPranolol for your glaucoma | | | |
| Allergies | Demerol | | | |
| Vital Signs | Initial Set | | Second Set (if applicable) | |
| | LOC | Awake and confused | LOC | Awake and confused |
| | PULSE | 60 strong, bounding, and regular | PULSE | 60 strong, bounding, and regular |
| | RESP | 16 regular | RESP | 16 regular |
| | SKIN | Flushed and dry | SKIN | Flushed and dry |
| Other/Misc. | If done, the patient has decreased grip strength on right side | | | |