Powell River First Aid Training

Stroke - Flowchart

Hazards
Environment
Mechanism
Number of Patients
Additional Resources

FINDINGS IN THE STABLE PATIENT

- Alert and oriented
- Clear airway, adequate breathing
- Strong regular radial pulse
- Warm, dry skin

FINDINGS IN THE UNSTABLE PATIENT

- Any neurological deficits
- Altered LOC or unconscious
- Difficulty maintaining airway
- Shortness of breath, noisy or absent respirations
- Weak, rapid or absent radial pulse

LOC
D
A
B
C
RBS
SKIN
O2

NOTES:
If patient experienced a TIA that has resolved itself, they may be considered stable

CRITICAL INTERVENTIONS

- AVPU
- Assess and manage ABCs
- Position of patient
- Accurate recognition, and timely management and transport of a possible stroke patient
- Blood glucose check
- Transport patient supine if no airway issues

STABLE

DECISION POINT

UNSTABLE

Secondary Survey

- History
- Vital Signs
- Head to toe

Transport/notify hospital

Monitor vital signs

Transport

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Secondary Survey

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PATIENT CARE REPORT/HANDOFF