ED STROKE PATHWAY

	0-10 MIN	10-25 MIN	25-45 MIN	45-60 MIN	60 + MIN
P	☐ Neurological Assessment	☐ NIHSS	☐ Lab results	☐ Verify tPA order	☐ If tPA given
H	☐ Verify symptom onset	☐ Review CT	☐ CT report	☐ Double check tPA dose	☐ Enter post-tPA orders
Y	☐ Symptom onset (<24 hours)		☐ tPA: Review eligibility and orders		☐ Vital Signs
S	☐ Notify Acute Stroke (123-7003)				☐ Neurological Assessments
I	☐ STAT labs and IV access				☐ If not tPA candidate:
C	☐ STAT Non-contrast CT				☐ Nursing Dysphagia Screen
I	☐ Review tPA eligibility				☐ ASA 300mg PR
A	☐ tPA eligible: treat BP >185/105				or
N					☐ ASA 325mg PO
N	☐ Triage rapidly				
U	☐ Cardiac Monitoring	☐ Cardiac Monitoring	☐ Cardiac Monitoring	☐ Cardiac Monitoring	☐ Cardiac Monitoring
R		☐ Obtain ECG			
S	☐ Vital Signs (full set)	☐ Vital Signs (BP & P)	☐ Vital Signs (BP & P)	☐ Vital Signs (BP & P)	☐ Vital Signs (BP & P)
I	☐ notify MD if Temp > 37.5				
N	☐ notify MD if BP > 185/105 or <110/60				
G	☐ notify MD if pulse > 110 or < 50/min			☐ per tPA Protocol	
	☐ notify MD if resp > 24/min				
	☐ Neurological Assessment	☐ Neurological Assessment	☐ Neurological Assessment	☐ Neurological Assessment	☐ Neurological Assessment
				☐ Obtain Stroke Binder	☐ Assess for signs of bleeding
	☐ Establish IV Access			☐ Mix tPA per protocol	
	(2 large bore IV's if possible)			☐ 2 RN check dose	☐ If Not tPA Candidate:
	☐ Stat Labs: (Rainbow)			☐ if VS within parameters	☐ Nursing Dysphagia Screen
	CBC			☐ Administer tPA per order	☐ Failed Dysphagia screen
	Chemistry Panel				☐ ASA 300mg PR
	Glucose			☐ Post tPA Protocol	or
	PT, PTT and PLT			☐ Follow VS protocol (BP & P)	☐ Passed Dysphagia Screen
	Troponin			☐ Follow Neuro checks protocol	☐ ASA 325mg PO
	☐ Keep NPO (including meds)			• Q 15 min x 2 hours	
				• Q 30 min x 6 hours	
				• Q 1 hour x 16 hours	