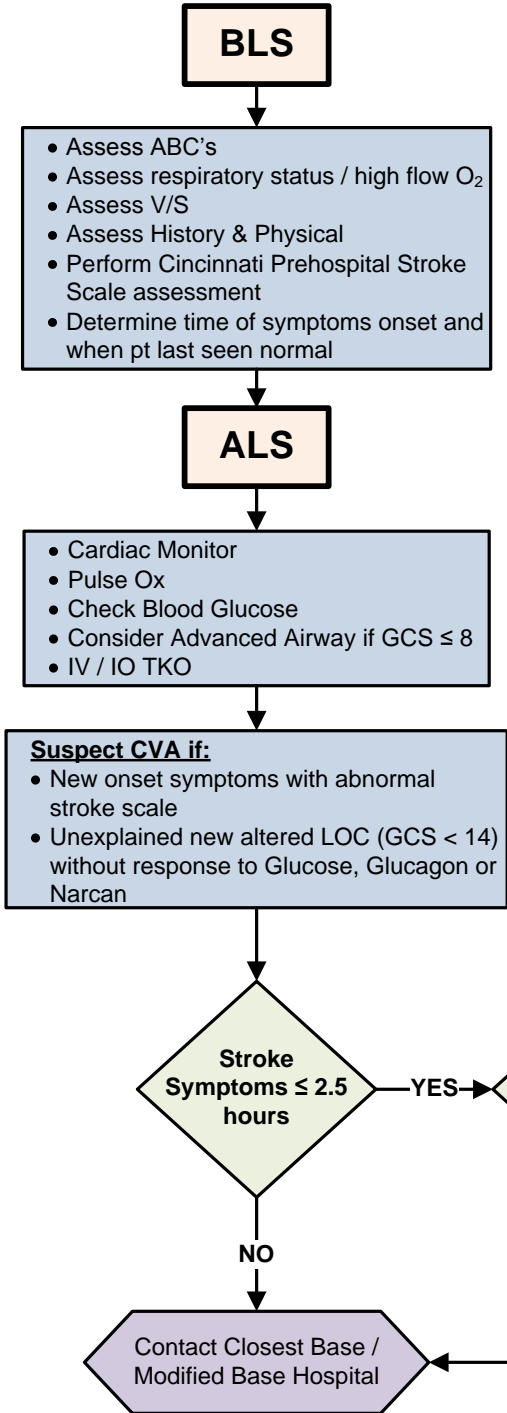




**SIERRA SACRAMENTO VALLEY EMS AGENCY
TREATMENT PROTOCOL – MEDICAL EMERGENCY**

**NEUROLOGICAL
REFERENCE NO. N-3**

SUBJECT: SUSPECTED CVA / STROKE



**Cincinnati Prehospital Stroke Scale
New Onset Symptoms**

**Facial Droop
(Have pt show teeth or smile)**
Normal = Both sides of face move equally well.
Abnormal = One side of face does not move as well as the other side.

**Arm Drift
(Pt closes eyes & extends both arms straight out for 10 seconds)**
Normal = Both arms move the same or both arms do not move at all.
Abnormal = One arm does not move or one arm drifts down compared to the other.

**Speech
(Have pt say: "You can't teach an old dog new tricks")**
Normal = Pt uses correct words with no slurring.
Abnormal = Pt slurs words, uses the wrong words or is unable to speak

Interpretation: If any 1 of these 3 signs is abnormal, the probability of a stroke is 72%

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