

# Considerations for Stroke Patient Transfer to UAB

## Indications for Transfer of Patients with Ischemic Stroke to UAB:

- Patients who may be a candidate for IV alteplase treatment and can be transported to arrive at UAB within 4.5 hours of symptom onset.
- Patients who may be a candidate for intra-arterial therapy.
- Patients who have received IV alteplase and the outside facility is unable to continue to manage the patient.
- Patients with an uncommon or complex syndrome, including, but not limited to, relatively young patients, patients with cryptogenic stroke, intracranial atherosclerotic stenosis, CNS vasculopathy, or moyamoya disease or syndrome.
- Patients requiring management options that are not available at the referring center, such as neurosurgical procedures or operations, neurointervention, or specialized consultation.
- Patients who are candidates for enrollment in a clinical trial at UAB.

## Indications for Transfer of Patients with Hemorrhagic Stroke to UAB:

- Patients who require neurosurgical or neurointerventional care that is not available at the referring center.
- Patients with spontaneous subarachnoid hemorrhage.
- Patients with an uncommon or complex hemorrhagic stroke syndrome, including, but not limited to, relatively young patients, patients with intracranial venous sinus thrombosis, cerebral arteriovenous malformations, intracranial dural arteriovenous fistulas, or moyamoya disease.
- Patients who are candidates for enrollment in a clinical trial at UAB.

### For Referring Physicians

For physician-to-physician consultations or to transfer your patient please call  
UAB MIST at 800.UAB.MIST (800.822.6478)  
Ask to speak to the Stroke Neurologist on call and they will respond to all requests for transfer of  
stroke patients.

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