Patient Presents with Symptoms of Stroke (within 9 hours) or TIA (within 3 hours). Code Stroke activation for patients with isolated, transient, sensory symptoms should be based on clinical judgment.

Notify Stroke Team (Beeper 2-1212) and NeuroResident On-Call

Order STAT CBC/Diff/Platelet Count PT/PTT/INR Chem 7 Guaiac Stool 12 Lead EKG

If patient is female with childbearing potential also order STAT Urine/Pregnancy

Complete History/Physical

Interpretation of Plain Head CT

Working Dx of Stroke or TIA

Is there ICH?

No

Thrombolysis Protocol

Yes

Attempt to Stabilize Patient
Medical Treatment 02/Arterio
BP/Tem/Glucose- Consider NeuroSurgery

Is Patient Candidate for tPA?

No

Admit to NSICU and Monitor Vital Signs and Neurological Status

Administer IV t-PA

Yes

Is Patient Stable?

No

Admit to Nmed Floor or Step Down Unit and Complete Work Up

Consider MRI with DWI/PWI MRA

Admit to Nmed Floor or Step Down Unit and Complete Work Up

Stroke Team to Consider Experimental Therapies/Trials