## Stroke

## **Stroke is a medical emergency!**

Any patient, visitor or co-worker may have signs/symptoms of a stroke! If you suspect a stroke, notify EMS/911 immediately outside of the hospital or notify appropriate personnel if you are working in a hospital. Do not hesitate as time is <u>critical</u>!

## Signs/symptoms of Stroke:

- Sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm, or leg, especially on one side of the body
- Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding
- Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes
- Sudden trouble walking, dizziness or loss of balance or coordination
- Sudden severe headache with no known cause

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If a patient, visitor or co-worker presents with any of these symptoms, do not hesitate. Act immediately as time is brain!