

Stroke

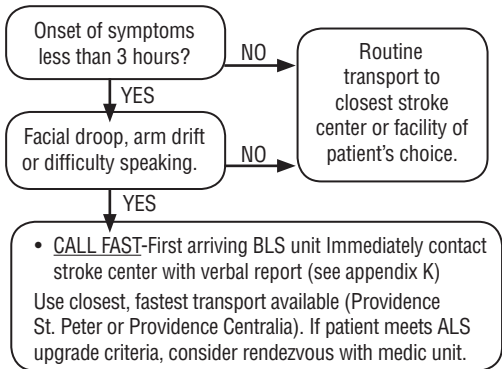
Assessment / Differential Diagnosis

- Hypoglycemia
- Bell's palsy
- Epidural/subdural hematoma
- Tumor
- Migraine
- Encephalitis
- Seizure
- Stroke
- TIA

Plan/Treatment

- General patient care procedures
- If patient has dysarthria, check for gag reflex with tongue depressor
- If patient is diabetic have family check blood glucose level if possible
- Obtain accurate "time when last seen normal"

Transport Decision Tree



ALS

- **Check blood glucose level**
- **Intubate if patient is unable to protect airway**
- **If BLS transport unit is not on the scene, ALS is required to transport acute stroke patients**