



American Stroke Association®
A division of the American Heart Association.

Together to End Stroke®



DO YOU KNOW?

Strokes occur in toddlers, children and teens.

Stroke is an emergency at any age.

SPOT A STROKE

F.A.S.T.

Face Drooping	Arm Weakness	Speech Difficulty	Time to Call 911
------------------	-----------------	----------------------	---------------------

If your child has one or more of these signs, don't delay — call 911 or the emergency system.

If it looks or feels like a stroke, it may be one.

Additional Warning Signs in Children:

- Sudden severe headache, especially with vomiting and sleepiness
- Sudden weakness or numbness on one side of the body (face, arm and/or leg)
- Sudden confusion, difficulty speaking or understanding others
- Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes
- Sudden difficulty walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination
- New onset of seizures, usually on one side of the body

FACTS TO KNOW



Signs of stroke are often missed in children and teens because of **LACK OF AWARENESS.**



About half of children who had a stroke had a **PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED RISK FACTOR.**



The clot-busting drug tPA and clot retrieval devices **AREN'T FDA APPROVED FOR USE IN CHILDREN.**

Medical conditions associated with stroke include: Sickle Cell Disease, Moyamoya Disease, Arterial Dissection, Autoimmune Disorders, Congenital Heart Diseases and Blood Clotting Disorders.

Learn more at stroke.org.

International Alliance
for **Pediatric Stroke**
iapediatricstroke.org

© Copyright 2024 American Heart Association, Inc, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit. All rights reserved. American Stroke Association and Together to End Stroke are registered trademarks of the AHA. Unauthorized use prohibited. WF-463942 3/24

The American Stroke Association and the International Alliance for Pediatric Stroke — collaborating to treat and beat stroke in infants and children.