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## Get With The Guidelines® - Stroke Quality Forum

We hope that by now you are well acquainted with our Stroke Quality Forums. These quarterly webinars give us the opportunity to inform, educate and interact with you by reviewing recent platform updates, highlighting program features, facilitating Model Shares, and answering frequently asked questions live. They are not to be missed!

During the January Forum we shared an exciting, brand-new Door to Needle Toolkit that will soon be available in the Library section of the Get With The Guidelines®-Stroke registry. A model share presentation was also given by Titus Regional Medical Center, a rural facility, on how they successfully reduced their DTN times.

Don't forget to register for the remaining 2025 Stroke Quality Forums. By registering, you will receive a link to the recording even if you were unable to attend the live presentation.

- May 27, 2025, 12:00-1:00 pm EDT: [Registration](#)
- September 23, 2025, 12:00-1:00 pm EDT: [Registration](#)
- November 25, 2025, 12:00-1:00 pm EDT: [Registration](#)

The Model Shares from other hospitals are one of the most popular features of the Forums and we would like to showcase your hospital's best practices at an upcoming Quality Forum. Please let me know if you have used your hospital's Get With The Guidelines®-Stroke data to facilitate a quality improvement process and would be interested in sharing your work.

## 2025 Get With The Guidelines®-Stroke Award Recognition

You may know that the deadline for the entry of your 2024 Get With The Guidelines®-Stroke data for Stroke award recognition, is **March 31, 2025**. Although this deadline is fast approaching, do not worry because we have multiple resources to help you assess your progress on these measures and to identify any possible opportunities for improvement! In the Library tab, you will find graphics of the Recognition Criteria, guides on how to run performance reports on these

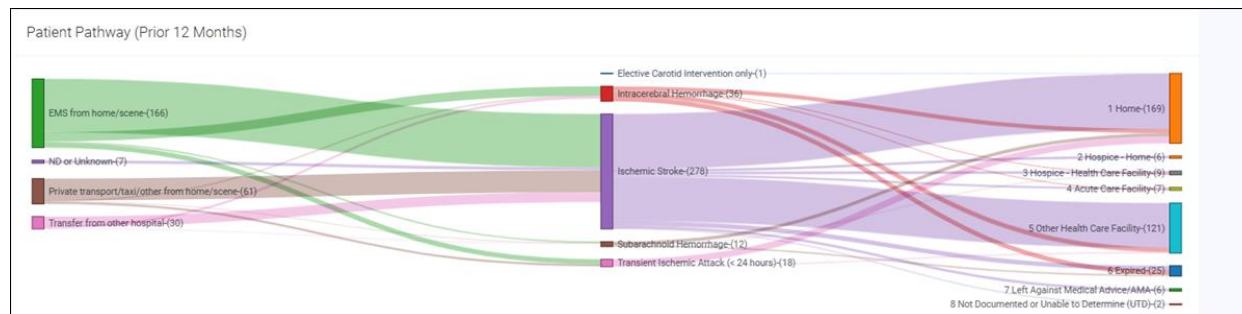
measures, and guides on how to run Patient Reports, which enable you to delve deeper into specific cases where patients are failing the measures. And don't forget the most important resource of all – me, your QI consultant! Not only can I help you run and interpret these reports, but I am also available for individualized check-ins to provide guidance and support.

Please send me an email when you have completed 2024 data entry. Once I receive your notification, I will perform a thorough data review and provide you with either a 2025 award prediction or a list of any measure(s) that are preventing your hospital from reaching award status.

\*Note – I will be out of the office March 21-28 so the earlier we connect, the more time we will both have to ensure your hospital is on track for 2025 recognition.

### Get With The Guidelines®-Stroke Feature Highlight

Do you need *Quick Stats* at your fingertips? Then don't forget about the On Demand Reports that are automatically run for you which appear on your Community Page of Get With The Guidelines®-Stroke. You can run countless reports in the Reports section of the tool, but if you need some basic statistics *in a hurry*, the Community Page has you covered! In addition to performance data on a variety of measures, you can also scroll down the page to find helpful data on Length of Stay, Records per Quarter, and demographics on the Gender, Race, and Age of your patients. And don't forget the Patient Pathway report which provides data on how patients arrived at your facility, what their diagnosis was, and their discharge disposition.



### American Stroke Association Survey

The American Stroke Association division of the American Heart Association is inviting you to take part in a brief, [3-5 minute survey](#) about your hospital's efforts to educate the general public about stroke warning signs. The purpose of this survey is to understand how hospitals are educating the public about stroke and its warning signs and how the American Stroke Association might better support your hospital in those efforts.

The survey will ask for you to identify your hospital, however, your personal information will not be attached to the survey responses.

To participate in the survey, please click on the survey link above by **Wednesday, February 12.**

## Recent Research

Every year, researchers uncover more about the routes that lead to cardiovascular disease. From strides in heart failure treatment to predicting the future of heart disease, the [Top Research Advances of 2024](#) provides a deep dive into some of these new findings. A variety of topics are covered in these research reports, including the ENRICH trial pertaining to minimally invasive surgery performed within 24 hours of an acute bleed stroke.

*Hot Off The Press* – [2025 Heart Disease and Stroke Statistics](#). This annual report is used for monitoring cardiovascular health, risk factors and disease in the U.S. and around the world. This year's report confirms that heart disease remains the leading cause of death in the U.S. and that contributing health factors like high blood pressure and obesity are on the rise. In addition, this year's report shows that someone in the U.S. dies from cardiovascular disease every 34 seconds.

## In Case You Missed It

Title	Recording Link
2023-24 GWTG-Stroke Quality Forums	<a href="#">January 28, 2025 – Recording Link</a> <a href="#">November 26, 2024 -Recording Link</a> <a href="#">September 25, 2024 - Recording Link</a> <a href="#">May 28, 2024 - Recording Link</a>
Rural Accelerator GWTG-Stroke Quarterly Learning Collaboratives	<a href="#">November 26, 2024 – Recording Link</a> <a href="#">September 5, 2024 – Recording Link</a> <a href="#">May 21, 2024 - Recording Link</a> <a href="#">February 27, 2024 - Recording Link</a>
Hemorrhagic (ICH) Stroke Updates in Get With The Guidelines® Stroke	<a href="#">December 5, 2024 – Recording Link</a>
Florida's First Mobile Stroke Unit: Mobilizing Optimal Stroke Care and Quality	<a href="#">December 11, 2024 – Recording Link</a>
2025 EMS Mission Lifeline®-Recognition Webinar	<a href="#">October 21, 2024 EMS Webinar</a>
Navigating the Latest in AFib: Medical Management of Atrial Fibrillation	<a href="#">Navigating the Latest in AFib: Medical Management of Atrial Fibrillation</a>
Pregnancy and Stroke	<a href="#">Pregnancy and Stroke</a>
Supporting Stroke Patients: Introducing the Heart and Stroke Helper™ Tool	<a href="#">Supporting Stroke Patients: Introducing the Heart and Stroke Helper™ Tool</a>

## Resources

Resources	<a href="#">GWTG-S Mini Learning Series</a> <a href="#">Patient Support Network</a> <a href="#">Stroke Support Group Lesson Modules</a> <a href="#">Stroke Connection e-News</a> <a href="#">Western States DIDO Resource</a> <a href="#">Massachusetts Stroke System of Workgroup Idealized DIDO Protocol</a> <a href="#">Stroke Resources in Spanish</a>
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	<a href="#">Stroke Resources in Chinese</a> <a href="#">Stroke Resource Library</a> <a href="#">F.A.S.T Infographic</a>
Frequently Used Links	<a href="#">Get With The Guidelines® Login</a> <a href="#">AHA Healthcare Network</a> <a href="#">AHA Rural Health</a> <a href="#">AHA Public Reporting Website</a> <a href="#">AHA Statements and Guidelines</a> <a href="#">The AHA turns 100</a>
Phone Numbers & Emails	IQVIA Help Desk: 888-526-6700 IQVIA Email: <a href="mailto:InfosarioOutcomeSupport@quintiles.com">InfosarioOutcomeSupport@quintiles.com</a> Get With The Guidelines® Support: <a href="mailto:GWTGsupport@heart.org">GWTGsupport@heart.org</a>



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Upcoming Time Out of the Office: Feb 3-7 (ISC)

