

# Kitsap County Prehospital Stroke Triage Destination Procedure

**Assess Applicability for Triage**  
Report from patient or bystander of one or more **sudden**:

- Numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body
- Confusion, trouble speaking or understanding
- Trouble seeing in one or both eyes
- Trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination
- Severe headache with no known cause

**NO**

Transport per regional patient care procedures

**YES**

**Perform F.A.S.T. Assessment**

- F**ace (unilateral facial droop) yes/no
- A**rms (unilateral drift/weakness) yes/no
- S**peech (abnormal/slurred) yes/no
- T**ime last normal (determine time patient last known normal)  
Yes to any one sign = YES  
No to all three signs = NO

**NO**

Transport per regional patient care procedures

**YES**

**Determine Destination\***  
Estimate time patient last normal to arrival at stroke center emergency department

*\*If unable to manage airway, consider rendezvous with ALS or transport to nearest facility capable of definitive airway management.*

*If a stroke center is not available within transport times by ground, consider air transport or contact medical control for destination decision.*

*If there are two or more facilities to choose from, patient preference, physician practice patterns, and local rotation agreements maybe be considered in determining destination.*

≤ 3.5 hrs

**Transport** patient per county operating procedure

≥3.5 hrs to ≤ 6 hrs

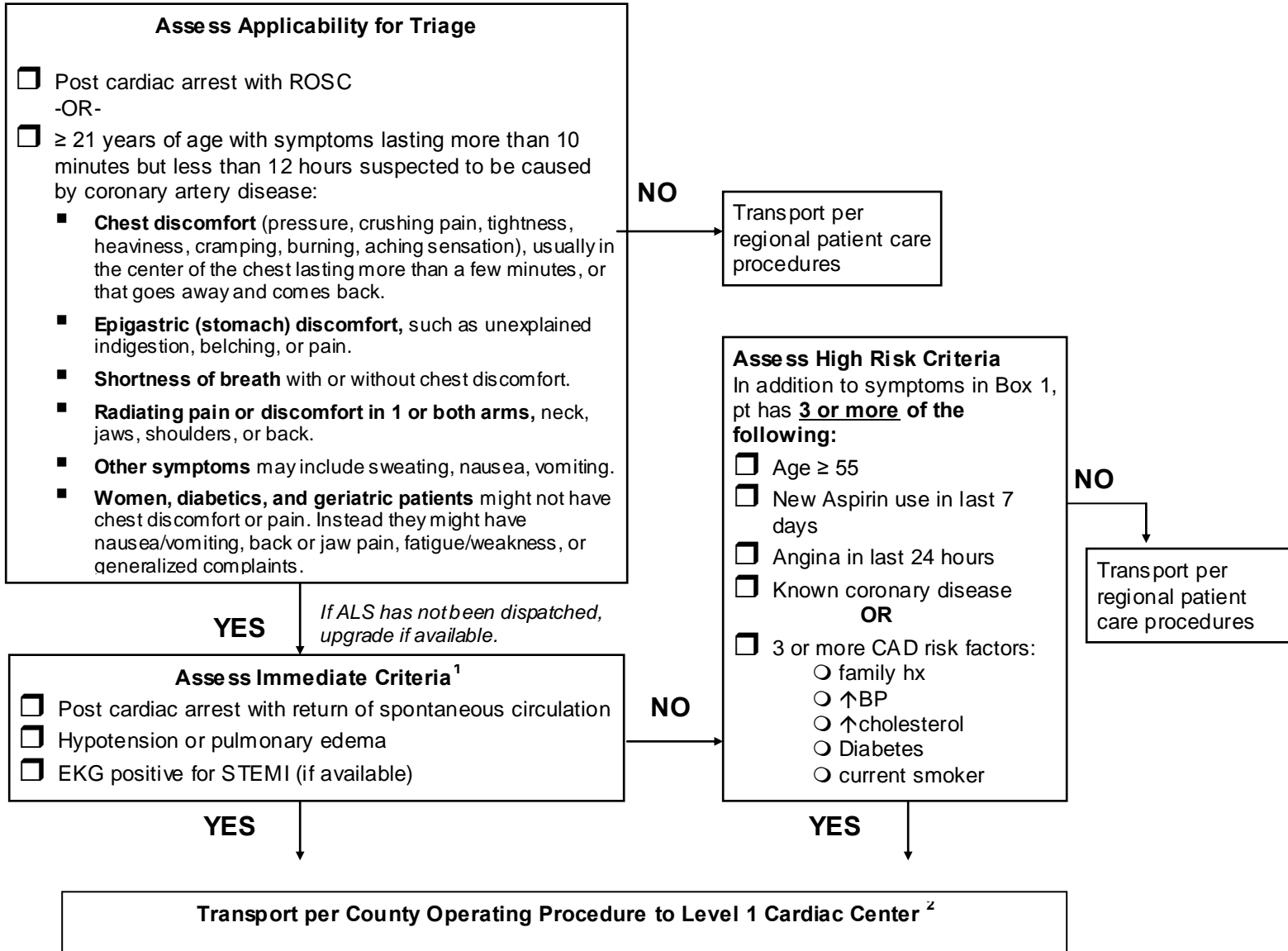
**Transport** patient to level 1, 2, or 3 stroke center within 30 minutes transport time per regional patient care procedures and patient/family preference.

>6 hrs or unknown

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**Limit scene time and alert destination hospital en route ASAP**

# Kitsap County Prehospital Cardiac Triage Destination Procedure



<sup>1</sup> Unstable patients with severe respiratory distress, hypotension, or recurrent life-threatening arrhythmias should be transported to the closest Level 1 or 2 Cardiac Hospital.

<sup>2</sup> Consider air transport for all transports greater than 60 minutes.

<sup>3</sup> Patients who do not meet Level 1 criteria, should be transported to a Level 2 Cardiac Center.