STROKE / TIA PATIENT MANAGEMENT ALGORITHM For tPA hospitals **START CTAS Level 1** Pt presents to TRIAGE **Primary Assessment** Yes Move pt to Required? resuscitation area No Assess Patient for Stroke like Symptoms Triage as per CTAS Stroke like symptoms: No guidelines 1. One sided weakness, numbness, or paralysis of face, arm, or leg 2. Sudden blurred or decreased vision in one or both eyes symptoms 3. Difficulty speaking or understanding simple statements present? 4. Dizziness, loss of balance, or loss of coordination **Perform Glucometer and Assess Pt** using Cincinnati Stroke Scale (CSS) for 1: 5. Sudden severe and inexplicable headache 1. Facial Droop Yes 2. Arm Drift 3. Impaired Speech, inability to speak, slurred or incorrect words If symptoms One or more CSS criteria < 3 hrs, presumed Yes No PERSISTS? Hot Stroke Triage as per Triage as per Possible If symptoms **ČTAS** Triage CTAS **CTAS** TIA > 3 hrs auidelines auidelines Triage Level II Confirmation Diagnosis TIA Admission Stroke/High Risk TIA Patient eligible Yes Eligibility? * No for tPA?2 Orders **TIA Outpatient** Initiate 'Thrombolysis in No Orders Ischemic Stroke Orders' * TIA Admission Eligibility Yes + 'Stroke/High Risk TIA Orders' Consider Admission/Transfer if: Stroke/TIA Tools □ Multiple TIAs, OR 1. Cincinnati Stroke Scale □ Symptoms & signs of Middle Cerebral Artery involvement (e.g. upper extremity motor weakness or aphasia), OR 2. tPA Eligibility Checklist (tPA Hospital)

□ Atrial fibrillation, OR

□ Severe carotid stenosis (i.e. 70-99%)