

Suspected TIA?

Are the symptoms still present (esp. FAST positive)?

Yes

ACTION: TREAT AS ACUTE STROKE

1. Complete form to send with patient
2. Call ambulance
3. Contact Stroke team at
St George's Hospital Tooting
0208 672 1255 **Bleep 7317**

No

Refer to TIA clinic using referral form based on ABCD²

TIA Clinic Referral

Local protocols will differ depending on availability of open access clinics or appointment systems (see list on next page)

- Complete clinical information on referral form
- Start aspirin 300mg and give first dose unless CI
- Give Lifestyle management advice
- Advise patient not to drive until assessed at TIA Clinic
- Advise patient to call 999 if they have a further event

If ABCD² score >3 – High risk TIA

If ABCD² score <4 – Low risk TIA
(or symptoms > 1 wk ago)

NB Treat as High Risk TIA:

If patient has had 2 or more events in the last 7 days
or
are on Warfarin
or
=< 40 yrs with likely TIA/stroke and neck pain
or
TIA symptoms and have prosthetic valve and are under anti-coagulated

Assess the risk of Stroke

ABCD ²	score
Age < 60 years	0
60 or above	1
B lood pressure	
SBP > 140mm Hg or DBP > 90mm Hg	1
BP below these levels	0
C linical features	
Any unilateral weakness (face/ hand/arm/leg)	2
Speech disturbance (without motor weakness)	1
Other weakness	0
D uration of symptoms	
> 60 minutes	2
10-59 minutes	1
< 10 minutes	0
D iabetic	
Yes	1
No	0

Kingston TIA CLINC REFERRAL FORM

<p style="text-align: center;">Kingston Hospital NHS Trust TIA CLINIC REFERRAL FORM</p> <p>**FAX NUMBER: 02089343884 (Please fax referral urgently) Stroke team bleep 463 (Stroke registrar)</p> <p>GP STAMP(name and address)</p>	<p>Source of referral (please ring):</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td style="width: 15%;">GP</td> <td style="width: 15%;">A&E</td> <td style="width: 15%;">AAU</td> <td style="width: 15%;">Paramedic</td> <td style="width: 15%;">Other</td> </tr> </table> <p>Date and time of First Contact with 1st HCP Date __ / __ / __: time __ : __ (24h clock)</p> <p>Name of referrer and contact phone number:</p> <p>Date and time of referral: Date __ / __ / __: time __ : __ (24h clock)</p> <p>CLINIC DATE: Date __ / __ / __: time __ : __ (24h clock)</p>	GP	A&E	AAU	Paramedic	Other
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<p style="text-align: center;">Patient details</p> <p>Name :</p> <p>Sex : D.O.B. : Address:</p> <p>Tel. No.: Carer's name Tel</p>	<p>Date and time of onset of symptom(s) Date __ / __ / __: time __ : __ (24h clock)</p> <p>Brief history</p> <p>Previous TIA's or Stroke? Yes / No If yes, when and how many</p>					
<p>Handed Left / Right Preferred language Interpreter needed Yes / No</p>	<p>Driver Yes / No Is Hospital transport required? Yes / No Type required Car <input type="checkbox"/> Ambulance <input type="checkbox"/></p>					

ABCD2 SCORE if presenting within 7 days	POTENTIAL POINTS	POINTS	Past Medical History:	
Age \geq 60	1			
< 60	0			
BP Systolic $>$ 140 or Diastolic \geq 90	1			
Systolic $<$ 140 & Diastolic $<$ 90	0			
Clinical features				
Unilateral weakness	2			
Speech disturbance (without weakness)	1			
Sensory Loss/ other symptoms	0			
Duration \geq 60 minutes	2			Family History:
10 – 59 minutes	1			
< 10 minutes	0			
Diabetes Present	1		Social History:	
Absent	0			
TOTAL SCORE				

If score 4 or above, or more than 1 TIA in a week, or on anticoagulant follow high risk pathway
If symptoms > 1 week ago follow low risk pathway
IF PERSISTING NEUROLOGICAL DEFICIT, THIS IS NOT A TIA AND PATIENT MUST BE REFERRED TO THE NEAREST HYPERACUTE STROKE UNIT

Current Drug Therapy:

Please start aspirin 300mg of immediately. If aspirin intolerant consider alternative anti-platelet

Please specify: -

- If on Aspirin at time of event and/or other anti-platelet drug(s)

If on Warfarin and why?

Most recent INR with date (if known):

Please circle any known additional risk factors:

Previous TIA / CVA,	IHD	Known carotid disease	Atrial Fibrillation
Hypertension,	Diabetes,	Impaired LV function	Acohol
Hyper-lipidaemia,	Smoking Current /Ex if current number/day	Peripheral vascular disease	Obesity