



WHEN STROKE STRIKES,
**EMS IS THE FIRST LINE
OF DEFENSE**

On average, 1 stroke occurs every 40 seconds in the United States¹

- Stroke is the fifth-leading cause of death in the United States, and a leading cause of disability^{2,3}

EMS is the first medical contact for 64% of stroke patients⁴

- Standardized emergency medical services (EMS) protocols and procedures to rapidly assess and transport patients are important for proper patient care

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INNOVATIVE EDUCATION FOR THE RAPID INTERVENTION OF STROKE

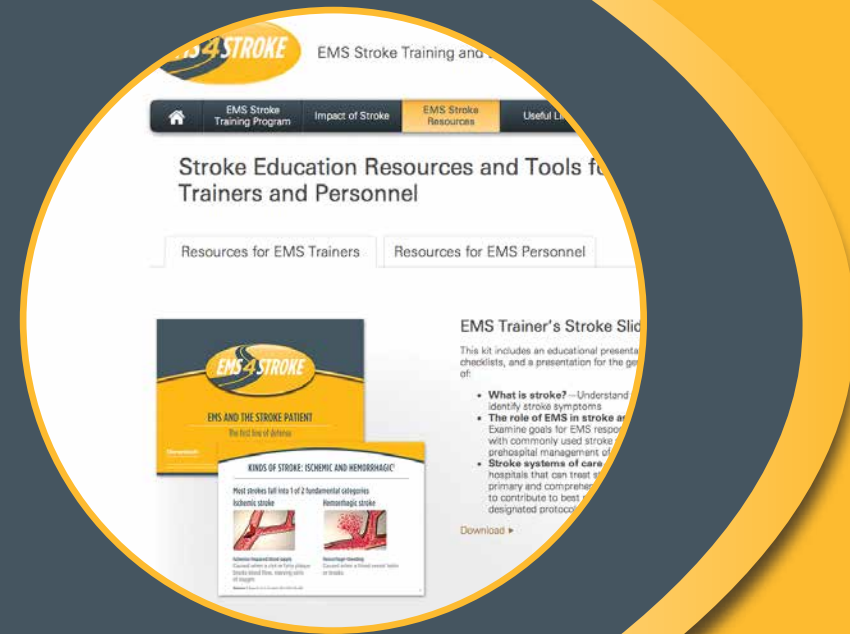
ems4stroke.com features free training modules on proper stroke management for both EMS educators and providers.

Topics include:

- Understanding and recognizing stroke
- Guidelines for EMS stroke management
- Goals for EMS response times
- The 3 levels of hospitals that can treat stroke
- In-depth case studies

EMS=emergency medical services.

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