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## Attention: ED Physicians/ APPs, ED and IR Nurses

In addition to the existing eight stroke measures, **effective January 1, 2019**, The Joint Commission will require data collection for two new performance measures for Primary Stroke Center (PSC) Certification. They are as follows:

- 1.) STK-OP-1 Door to Transfer to Another Hospital
- 2.) CSTK-01 National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale (NIHSS) Score Performed for Ischemic Stroke Patients.

2019 MEASURES FOR PSC CERTIFICATION		
Stroke (STK) Measures	Stroke Outpatient (STK-OP) Measure	Comprehensive Stroke (CSTK) Measure
STK-1 Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) Prophylaxis	STK-OP-1 Door to Transfer to Another Hospital: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hemorrhagic Stroke</li> <li>• Ischemic Stroke; Drip and Ship</li> <li>• Ischemic Stroke; No IV t-PA Prior to Transfer; LVO and MER Eligible</li> <li>• Ischemic Stroke; No IV t-PA Prior to Transfer; LVO and Not MER Eligible</li> <li>• Ischemic Stroke; No IV t-PA Prior to Transfer; No LVO</li> </ul>	CSTK-01 NIHSS Score Performed for Ischemic Stroke Patients
STK-2 Discharged on Antithrombotic Therapy		
STK-3 Anticoagulation Therapy for Atrial Fibrillation/Flutter		
STK-4 Thrombolytic Therapy		
STK-5 Antithrombotic Therapy by End of Hospital Day Two		
STK-6 Discharged on Statin Medication		
STK-8 Stroke Education		
STK-10 Assessed for Rehabilitation		
<b>Key</b> tPA = tissue plasminogen activator                      LVO = large-vessel occlusion MER = mechanical endovascular reperfusion		

### How will this affect your practice?

- Continue to transfer patients from spoke hospitals (GB, HP, SK) to hub hospital (EV) within 2 hours of neurosurgical consultation
- Continue performing and documenting NIHSS on all patients with stroke symptoms.

For a summary of the new measures, open the link below to view:

[https://www.jointcommission.org/assets/1/18/APPROVED\\_New\\_Performance\\_Measures\\_for\\_Primary\\_Stroke\\_Centers.pdf](https://www.jointcommission.org/assets/1/18/APPROVED_New_Performance_Measures_for_Primary_Stroke_Centers.pdf)

Please call with questions.

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