What is the importance of the Stroke Prevention Clinic?

- The Stroke Prevention Clinic is an outpatient clinic for individuals who have signs and symptoms of a recent stroke or transient ischemic attack.
- Medical therapy is optimized at the Stroke Prevention Clinic for those at risk of a stroke
- Expedited referral from Stroke Prevention to Vascular Surgery is shown to prevent strokes in patients with carotid stenosis measuring greater than 50% diameter
- The Stroke Prevention Clinic does not replace an Emergency Department. Persons requiring immediate or emergency neurological consultation should be referred to the Emergency Department.

How to refer a patient to the Stroke Prevention Clinic

A physician or nurse practitioner referral is required for patients to be assessed in the Stroke

Prevention Clinic

Do not delay referring to the Clinic if tests are not done or results are not available – send referrals immediately

Fax referrals to 905-527-0059

All referrals are triaged for urgency. The clinic aims to see urgent patients within 72 hours of receipt of referral.

You can find the Stroke
Prevention Clinic referral form at
www.csnstroke.ca

The importance of early diagnosis

 In symptomatic patients with a carotid artery stenosis greater than 50%, carotid revascularization is effective in reducing the risk of subsequent stroke

How can we diagnose patients earlier?

- Wentworth-Halton X-Ray and Ultrasound is expediting booking of Carotid Doppler Ultrasound examinations
- Our radiologists are also on staff at the Hamilton General Hospital where we work closely with the departments of Neurology and Neurosurgery
- We have the ability to expedite higher level imaging such as CT Angiography and MRI in select patients at the Hamilton General Hospital

The Stroke Prevention Clinic is located at:

Hamilton General Hospital

237 Barton Street East
Level 1, East Wing,
Neurosciences Ambulatory
Centre
Hamilton ON

905-521-2100, ext. 44713

Fax referrals to: 905-527-0059

How to refer a patient for Carotid Doppler Ultrasound

If you suspect your patient has had a recent stroke, fax a requisition to one of the WH X-Ray and Ultrasound locations listed on opposite page with details of the patients signs and symptoms. We will contact your patient and arrange the appointment on your behalf. Urgent appointments will be accommodated within 48 hours of request, Monday to Friday.



<u>Locations Offering Vascular Ultrasound</u>:

1 Young Street, #105, Hamilton Tel 905-572-6868 Fax 905-572-6860

723 Rymal Road West, #600, Hamilton Tel 905-388-0106 Fax 905-388-0313

325 Winterberry Drive, Stoney Creek (Heritage Greene Medical Building) Tel 905-549-0433 Fax 905-549-5676

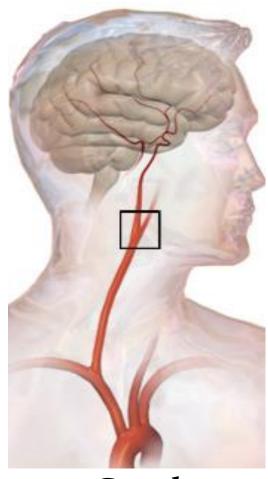
15 Mountain Avenue South, Stoney Creek Tel 905-662-4953 Fax 905-662-1774

245 Dundas Street East, Waterdown (located behind KFC & beside Service Ontario Centre) Tel 905-689-0877 Fax 905-689-9918

760 Brant Street, Suite 2 & 3, Burlington Tel 905-637-2139 Fax 905-637-2139

1960 Appleby Line, #102, Burlington Tel 905-331-5438. Fax 905-331-2169





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