



# Tuesday Take Away



What is the main “*take away*” message?

## Think F.A.S.T. when you suspect a Stroke

Stroke is a medical emergency. Know the signs and help save a life.

### THINK:

Face drooping

Arm Weakness

Speech Difficulty

Time to call 9-1-1 ~ (in the hospital call 6-3333)



### Other Signs & Symptoms of Stroke

### SUDDEN:

- Numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, usually on one side
- Vision loss or disturbance
- Confusion, trouble speaking
- Difficulty understanding
- Trouble walking
- Dizziness
- Loss of balance or coordination
- Severe headache of unknown cause

MGH is a Primary Stroke Service Hospital designated by the Massachusetts DPH. We are currently preparing for a June 12-13, on-site visit to receive National Comprehensive Stroke Center Certification through the Joint Commission.

