

My Care Journey App

Windsor Regional Hospital has an application called “My Care Journey”.



This app includes information about the patient’s diagnosis, a daily guide to what patients can expect while in the hospital and tips to prepare them for discharge.

The app also includes videos to better understand important moments.

The app includes diagnosis-specific information for: COPD, Pneumonia, CHF, Ischemic Stroke, Hip Fracture.

It also includes general information for all patients (i.e. hospital services, images and tests, members of their care team).

It is available on the “App Store”

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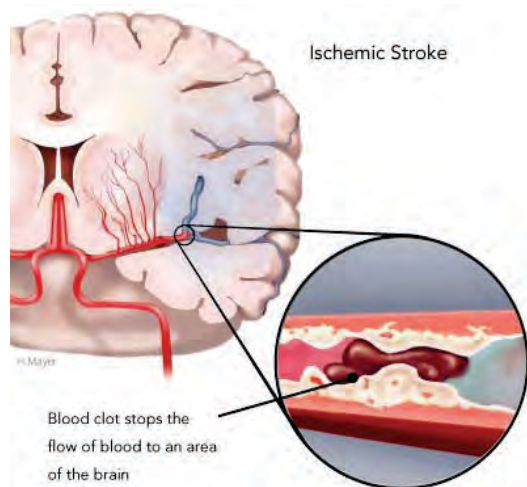
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Mechanical Thrombectomy for Ischemic Stroke (Clot Retrieval)



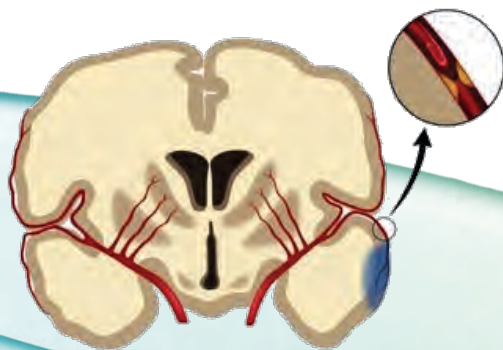
What is Ischemic Stroke?

When someone has suffered a stroke caused by a blockage of blood flow to the brain this type of stroke is called "Ischemic Stroke".



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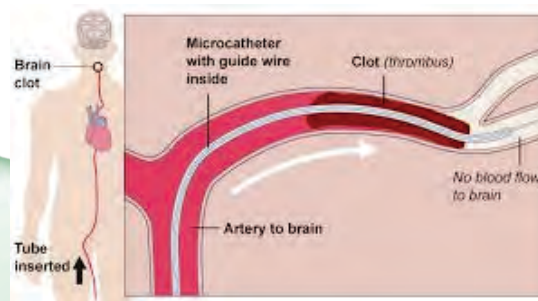
Ischemic Stroke



Treatments that would be considered:

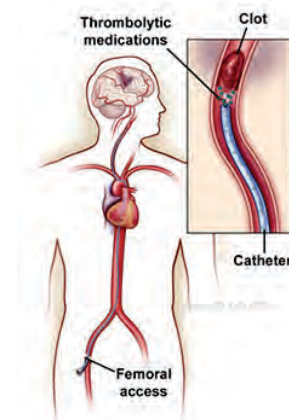
A medication called TNK (Tenecteplase). This medication helps to dissolve or break down the clot and restore blood flow to the brain. It is given through an intravenous (IV), a thin blue tube that is inserted into a vein in the arm. Some patients are not eligible to receive TNK because of medical conditions or medicines taken.

Thrombectomy (throm-bec-to-me), a procedure to remove the blood clot. To determine if your family member is eligible for this procedure, he or she will have special imaging called a CTA (computed tomography angiogram) to look at blood vessels and blood flow in the brain.



How is the procedure performed:

- A small thin tube, called a sheath, is inserted in the femoral artery in the groin area.
- A guide wire and catheter are inserted through the sheath into the femoral artery and passed through the artery to the clot in the brain.
- The guide wire is then removed and a compressed mesh stent is inserted through the catheter into the clot.
- The catheter is pulled back causing the mesh stent to expand through the clot. If the clot is trapped in the stent, the clot can be safely removed with the stent.
- In some cases aspiration techniques, or a combination of both mesh and aspiration, may be used to extract the clot.



What to expect during the procedure:

The patient will be given some medication through an IV line which will help to relax them and make them feel comfortable.

A small bandage will be placed on the groin puncture site after the sheath is removed at the end of the procedure.

What to expect after the procedure:

The patient will be monitored closely for possible bleeding or swelling that may occur in the groin area.