

High Risk TIA

Transient ischemic attack (TIA) often called a 'mini-stroke', refers to a brief episode of neurological dysfunction caused by focal brain, spinal cord, or retinal ischemia, with clinical stroke symptoms, and without imaging evidence of infarction.

A TIA event is significant as it can be a warning of a future stroke. Patients and healthcare professionals should respond to an acute TIA as a potential emergency.

Pathway



Patients with TIA should undergo clinical evaluation by a healthcare professional with expertise in stroke care to determine risk for recurrent stroke and initiate appropriate and timely investigations and management strategies.

Stroke Symptom(s) **Transient or Resolved**

Transient symptoms last minutes and completely resolve within 1H
Resolved symptoms not present

Last known well
0-48 H

Last known well
>48 H

Complete Stroke Prevention Clinic Referral

High Risk

ED to determine suitability for urgent transfer/imaging for patients that present with transient focal motor/neglect or speech symptoms

Fax referral to Thunder Bay 1-807-684-5883

Acute Stroke consult available if required
Consult Acute Stroke Physician at TBRHSC
1-807-684-6001 during consulting hours:
Monday to Sunday 0800-2330 EST

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