

Parkview Stanley Wissman Stroke Center



Nils Mueller-Kronast, MD, Fort Wayne Neurological Center, uses a 3-D biplanar angiography system to perform cerebral angiography and treat strokes, aneurysms and vascular malformations.

Stroke Center sets the standard

The Parkview Stanley Wissman Stroke Center makes emerging medical treatments for stroke available to area patients sooner. The center is named after the widely respected neurologist who championed the project and was a forceful advocate for stroke patients.

In 2005, the Parkview Stanley Wissman Stroke Center earned northeast Indiana's first Gold Seal of Approval™ for stroke care: The Joint Commission of Accreditation of Healthcare Organization's Primary Stroke Center Certification. In May 2008 the stroke center was re-certified with this award. In addition, the Parkview Stanley Wissman Stroke Center has earned the 2008 HealthGrades 5-Star award as well as the Silver Performance Achievement Award recognizing one year of high performance in the American Stroke Association's Get With The Guidelines™ program.

The stroke center delivers stroke management for adults by providing patient-focused interdisciplinary care from the emergency room through rehabilitation and recovery, and participation in national stroke research. Additionally, the center provides community education on stroke recognition, treatment options and prevention, and utilizes outcome measures to improve care and services.

Stroke Research

In conjunction with the Parkview Research Center, neurologists and staff study treatments related to ischemic and hemorrhagic stroke. Parkview's researchers made significant contributions to the tPA trials. tPA is now a standard treatment used to reduce damaging effects of stroke.

Area's first neuro-interventionalist brings new level of stroke treatment to Parkview

A new treatment option for stroke is now available at Parkview — neuro-intervention. Neuro-intervention is an intra-arterial therapy that has been shown to be more effective to re-open blocked blood vessels than intravenous therapy in severe strokes. For patients arriving outside the three-hour window of time for effective treatment, intra-arterial therapy provides a treatment option in Fort Wayne where nothing could be done previously. In some cases, patients had to be transferred to another community, losing valuable time.

Neurotrauma

Neurology and neurosurgery specialists from Fort Wayne Neurological Center are available 24/7 to the Parkview Level II Adult & Pediatric Trauma Center. As members of the trauma team, they treat patients with severe head and spine injury.

Neurology and Neurosurgery

The physicians and staff also care for other neuro diagnoses such as:

- Alzheimer's
- Brain tumors and aneurysms
- Epilepsy
- Headaches and pain
- Movement disorders
- Multiple sclerosis
- Pain
- Parkinson's
- Back problems
- Stroke



Neuro Intensive Care Unit

Neurologists and neurosurgeons care for patients in a highly specialized, high-tech, six-bed Neuro Intensive Care Unit (ICU). The Neuro ICU is also electronically connected 24/7 to a special eICU team as an extra measure of care. The Neuro ICU staff participate in multidisciplinary rounds led by an intensivist each day, and a remote-presence robot (AKA "Robo Doc") is located on the unit to aid in communication, rounding and consultations with family and staff.

Neuro Rehabilitation

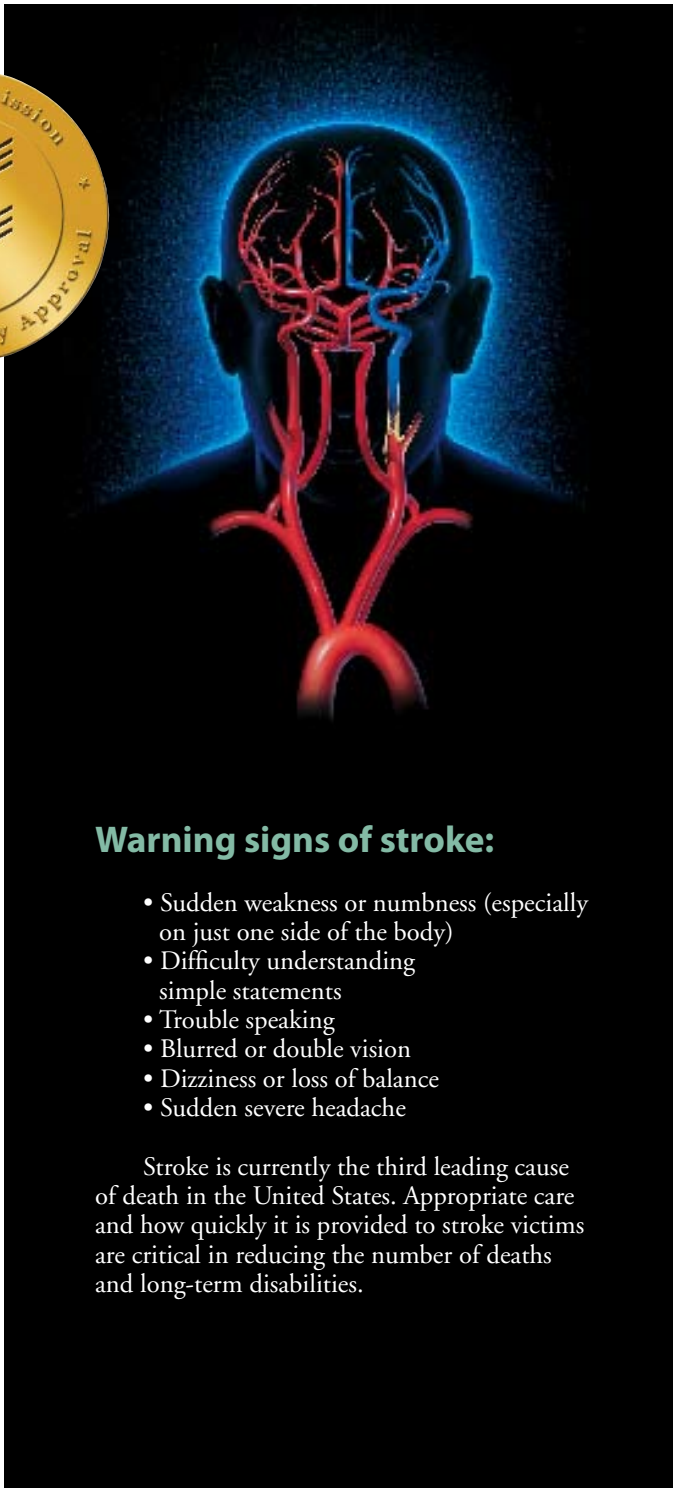
Parkview Hospital is dedicated to improving the lives of people suffering from stroke, brain injury, trauma and those recovering from neurosurgery. Rehabilitation Services provide a full range of inpatient and outpatient therapeutic services and programs for patients as young as 3 years of age to the very elderly.

Other Accreditations:

- Parkview Hospital Rehabilitation Center meets national standards as evaluated by the Joint Commission for Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations and the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF).
- The Comprehensive Inpatient Medical Rehabilitation Program has been nationally recognized and accredited since 1978.
- The Brain Injury Inpatient Rehabilitation Program has been nationally recognized and accredited since 1988.

Designations

- HealthGrades 2008 5-Star Award
- American Stroke Association's Get With The Guidelines™ Silver Performance Achievement Award
- Joint Commission of Accreditation of Healthcare Organization's Gold Seal of Approval™



Warning signs of stroke:

- Sudden weakness or numbness (especially on just one side of the body)
- Difficulty understanding simple statements
- Trouble speaking
- Blurred or double vision
- Dizziness or loss of balance
- Sudden severe headache

Stroke is currently the third leading cause of death in the United States. Appropriate care and how quickly it is provided to stroke victims are critical in reducing the number of deaths and long-term disabilities.



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