

# Acute Stroke Transfer Checklist



**When preparing to transfer an acute stroke patient to the Shands at UF Stroke Center, please make every attempt to include the following information.**

- Results of all diagnostic testing performed including lab results and imaging exams.
- All imaging exams transferred to CD whenever possible.
- NIH stroke scale documentation to assess improvement or decline upon arrival to UF.
- Time of symptom onset and source of this information.
- Contact information of family members. Cell phone if available.
- Pertinent elements of patient past medical history. Especially atrial fibrillation, warfarin therapy, congestive heart failure, prior strokes, prior intracerebral hemorrhage, recent surgeries or instrumentation, and trauma.
- Patient current medication.
- Brief documentation of ALL therapies initiated at your hospital.
- If IV tPA is excluded, please document rationale.

**In no circumstances should acquisition of these items delay the transfer of the patient. Urgent transfer minimizing time to presentation is an absolute priority.**