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Immediate medical treatment can save lives, but **more than 1/3** of acute stroke patients **don't take an ambulance** to the hospital.¹

AMBULANCE

FACE DROOPING

Does one side of the face droop or is it numb?

SPEECH DIFFICULTY

Is speech slurred, is he or she unable to speak or hard to understand? Ask the person to repeat a simple sentence. Is the sentence repeated correctly?

ARM WEAKNESS

Is one arm weak or numb? Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward?

TIME TO CALL 9-1-1

If the person shows any of these symptoms, even if the symptoms go away, call 9-1-1 and get him or her to the hospital immediately.

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¹Cheng, Eric M. et al. Patterns of Emergency Medical Services Use and Its Association With Timely Stroke Treatment: Finding From Get With the Guidelines-Stroke. Circulation. 2013; 118.