



## DID YOU KNOW?

# STROKE OCCURS IN TODDLERS, CHILDREN, AND TEENS. STROKE IS AN EMERGENCY AT ANY AGE!

### WARNING SIGNS



**IF ONE OR MORE OF THESE SIGNS ARE PRESENT, DON'T DELAY!**

**CALL 911 OR THE EMERGENCY SYSTEM IN YOUR COUNTRY!**

### ADDITIONAL WARNING SIGNS IN CHILDREN

- Severe sudden headache, especially with vomiting and sleepiness
- Sudden weakness or numbness on one side of the body (face, arm and/or leg)
- Sudden confusion, difficulty speaking or understanding others
- Sudden trouble seeing to one side or loss of vision
- Sudden difficulty walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination
- New-onset of seizures usually on one side of the body

**IF IT LOOKS LIKE A STROKE**

### THINK STROKE

*Signs of stroke are often missed in children and teens because there is a lack of awareness that strokes can happen in this age group.*



About **HALF** of the children presenting with a stroke have a **PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED RISK FACTOR**

**TOP 10**

Stroke is one of the **TOP 10 CAUSES OF DEATH** in children



The use of **tPA** (a clot busting treatment) or clot retrieval devices are **NOT FDA APPROVED FOR USE IN CHILDREN** in the U.S.

### MEDICAL CONDITIONS ASSOCIATED WITH STROKE INCLUDE:

Sickle Cell Disease, Moyamoya Syndrome, Arterial Dissection, Autoimmune Disorders, Congenital Heart Disease, Blood Clotting Disorders

Learn more at [iapediatricstroke.org](http://iapediatricstroke.org) and [strokeassociation.org](http://strokeassociation.org)

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