

# ***Stroke Treatment & Recovery***



Also called: Cerebrovascular accident  
Related terms: Transient Ischemic Attack, TIA

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The purpose of this guide is to help patients who experienced a stroke and their families to find sources of information and support. This list is not meant to be comprehensive, but rather to provide starting points for information seeking. The resources may be obtained at the Wellness Resource Center, room 2101 in the Cardiovascular Center.

## **Brochures, Fact sheets**

- American Stroke Association
  - *Being a Stroke Family Caregiver*
  - *Sex After Stroke*
- National Institute of Neurological Disorders and stroke
  - *Stroke: Hope Through Research*

## **Magazines**

- National Stroke Association. *Stroke Smart Magazine*.  
Free subscriptions available at: [www.stroke.org](http://www.stroke.org)
- American Stroke Association. *Stroke Connection*.  
Free subscriptions available at: <http://www.strokeassociation.org>

## **Books**

- Louis R. Caplan. *Stroke*. New York: American Academy of Neurology, 2006
- Hutton, Cleo and Caplan, Louis R. *Striking Back at Stroke : a doctor-patient journal*. New York: Dana Press, 2003.
- John R. Marler. *Stroke for Dummies*. Hoboken, NJ, 2005.
- Stein, Joel, M.D. Silver, J.K. and Frates Elizabeth Pegg. *Life After Stroke : the Guide to Recovering Your Health and Preventing Another Stroke*. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2006.

- Stein, Joel. *Stroke and the Family: A New Guide*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2004.

## Audiovisual Resources

- **Stroke Rehabilitation** - An interactive tutorial on MedlinePlus.gov  
Access at: <http://www.medlineplus.gov>  
Click on the link to Interactive Tutorials and select from the list under the heading: "Surgery and Treatment Procedures"  
A slide show with voice over and graphics provides an overview of stroke and describes how speech, physical and occupational therapies can help people regain function and abilities after a stroke.

## Web Resources

- **American Stroke Association**  
Access at: <http://www.strokeassociation.org>  
The section "Life after Stroke" covers how to prevent another stroke, common effects of stroke, and the role of caregivers.
- **Familydoctor.org** – "Stroke Rehab"  
Access at: <http://familydoctor.org>. Under "Conditions A to Z" click on "Heart Disease & Stroke" and then on "Stroke Rehab".  
An easy-to-read overview of stroke rehabilitation including reducing the risk for a second stroke, depression and how family members can help.
- **National Stroke Association**  
Access at: <http://www.stroke.org>  
This site provides extensive information for stroke survivors including a recovery guide, rehabilitation therapy and life after a stroke. A series of fact sheets that focus on recovery of specific functions is available in a printer-friendly format.
- **Society for Interventional Radiology**. Section on Stroke  
Access at: <http://www.sirweb.org>, click on "Patients & Public" and then on "stroke".  
This section describes how strokes occur and diagnostic tests and procedures that may be used to treat strokes and try to prevent second strokes.

- **University of Michigan Cardiovascular Center – Learn About Cardiovascular Disease**

Access at: <http://www.med.umich.edu/cvc/learn/index.html>

This site links to overviews of heart conditions and disorders, tests, procedures, treatments, prevention and wellness topics.

## **University of Michigan Resources**

- **Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation**

For more information access <http://www.med.umich.edu/pmr/>  
or call: at 734-936-7175

- **Tobacco Consultation Service**

Group and individual quit-smoking programs.

For more information access: <http://www.med.umich.edu/mfit/tobacco/> or  
call 734.936.5988.

## **Patient Support Organizations**

- **National Stroke Association**

Web site: <http://www.stroke.org>

Tel.: (800) 787-6537

This document is not intended to take the place of the care and attention of your personal physician or other professional medical services. Our aim is to promote active participation in your care and treatment by providing information and education. Questions about individual health concerns or specific treatment options should be discussed with your physician.

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