

STROKE AWARENESS

A stroke occurs when a blood vessel is either blocked by a clot or bursts. When that happens, brain cells in the immediate area no longer receive the oxygen and nutrients they need, causing them to die.



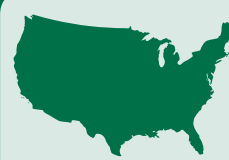
800,000
new strokes
each year



An American has a stroke **EVERY 40 SECONDS** and someone dies from a stroke **EVERY 4 MINUTES**



Stroke is the **5TH LEADING CAUSE** of death in the United States



STROKE IS THE LEADING CAUSE of adult disability in the U.S.



1/4 OF ALL STROKES each year are recurrent or second-time strokes



UAB IS THE FIRST HOSPITAL IN ALABAMA DESIGNATED AS A COMPREHENSIVE STROKE CENTER

UAB NUMBERS

1,100 stroke cases per year

100 unruptured aneurysm cases per year

9 expert stroke physicians

OVER 350 nurses trained in stroke care

WHAT MAKES UAB UNIQUE?

- **24/7** advanced stroke treatment
- The most **BOARD-CERTIFIED VASCULAR NEUROLOGISTS** in Alabama
- One of the largest **NEUROSCIENCES INTENSIVE CARE UNITS** in the U.S.
- Dedicated **STROKE UNIT**
- **INPATIENT** Rehabilitation Center

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BALANCE

Loss of balance or coordination, dizziness

E



EYES

Blurry, double, or loss of vision in one eye

F



FACE

Does one side of the face droop?

A



ARM

Are they unable to raise both arms & keep them there?

S



SPEECH

Is speech slurred or speaking difficult?

T



TIME

Call 911 *immediately* if you see any of these signs!

B.E.F.A.S.T. TO IDENTIFY A STROKE

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COMPREHENSIVE NEUROVASCULAR
& STROKE CENTER