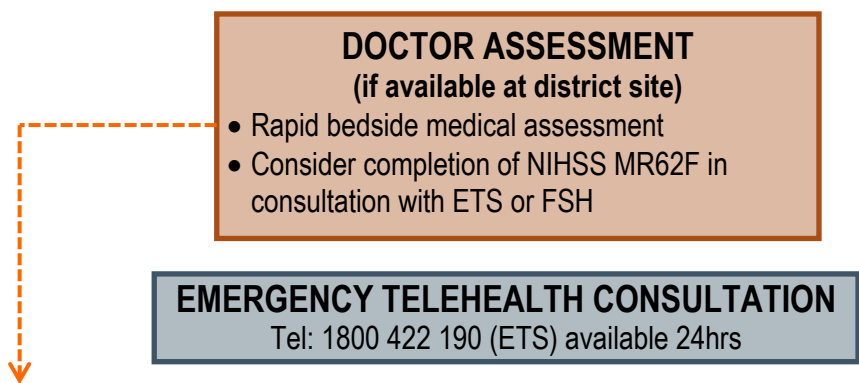




Stroke and TIA Workflow – South West District Sites

B.E.F.A.S.T					
BALANCE	EYES	FACE	ARM	SPEECH	TERRIBLE HEADACHE
Have you had any sudden loss of balance?	Have you had any sudden loss of vision in one or both eyes?	Can you show me your teeth, raise your eyebrows, close your eyes?	Can you raise both arms?	Has your speech been slurred or have you had difficulty understanding others?	Have you got a terrible headache? Is this the worst headache of your life?
<p>If one or more symptoms present or resolved = ATS2 Blood Glucose Level (BGL) at triage or first vital signs. BGL < 3.5 mmol/L should be urgently corrected. Neurological examination and vital signs fully documented. Determine TIME of ONSET of symptoms.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Infographic reference: BEFAST.org</p>					

Doctor only
 direct
 consult
 option



DOCTOR ASSESSMENT
 (if available at district site)

- Rapid bedside medical assessment
- Consider completion of NIHSS MR62F in consultation with ETS or FSH

ED NURSING TASKS:

- Contact ETS if doctor not available
- Initiate Stroke Protocol MR62B
- Initiate Adult Swallowing Assessment MR64B

EMERGENCY TELEHEALTH CONSULTATION
 Tel: 1800 422 190 (ETS) available 24hrs

FIONA STANLEY HOSPITAL (FSH) ACUTE TELESTROKE
 Tel: 0466 329 729 FSH Acute TeleStroke Consultant (M-F 8am-5pm)

- Discuss suitability for clot retrieval / thrombolysis.
- Discuss suitability for transfer to tertiary sites or South West management.
- Discuss suitability for neurosurgical Intervention

DISTRICT SITE

- Document time of call, doctor name and designation
- Follow plan as per ETS or FSH advice

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