

STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH PLANNING COUNCIL

HEALTH PLANNING COMMITTEE

AGENDA

February 8, 2018

*Immediately following the Special Establishment and Project Review Committee
(which is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m.)*

*New York State Department of Health Offices at 90 Church Street, 4th Floor, Rooms 4A and 4B,
NYC*

I. COMMITTEE ON HEALTH PLANNING

John Ruge, M.D., Chair of the Health Planning Committee

Exhibit # 1

A. Request for Stroke Center Designation

Applicant

St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Health Planning Committee

FROM: Charles Abel, Deputy Director
Center for Health Facility Planning, Licensure and Finance

DATE: January 10, 2018

SUBJECT: **Application for Designation as Hospital Stroke Center –St. Joseph’s Hospital Health Center (Syracuse, New York)**

Enclosed is the staff recommendation requesting approval for stroke center designation for St. Joseph’s Hospital Health Center in Syracuse, New York.

St. Joseph’s Hospital Health Center application has been reviewed by staff in the Western Regional and Albany Offices, and they have found the application to be acceptable with a contingency for the provision of additional evidence of education. Following the application review, a site visit was conducted by staff from the Western and Central Regional Offices on November 27, 2017. This visit confirmed that the facility satisfies all the key elements of a NYS Designated Stroke Center, and the additional evidence of required education was provided.

The NYS Stroke Designation Program recommends designating this facility as a stroke center. The Department is seeking the Council’s endorsement of this recommendation.

St. Joseph’s Hospital Health Center will be the 122nd designated stroke center in the state.

Once designated, the regional emergency medical services council will be notified and local EMS can begin directing patients with signs and symptoms of stroke to St. Joseph’s Hospital Health Center. EMS protocol provides for bypass of hospitals which are not stroke designated.

APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATED STROKE CENTER
Staff Report

Hospital: Leslie Luke
Chief Executive Officer
St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center
301 Prospect Avenue
Syracuse, New York 13203

Findings:

- The facility has demonstrated that they meet the criteria for designation of a stroke center.
- The stroke center has been established and is operational with written policy and procedures.
- There is a dedicated acute stroke team and it is staffed by qualified healthcare professionals.
- The medical director meets the criteria for training as delineated by the Department.
- The facility provided evidence of cerebrovascular education as delineated by the Department for clinicians who are members of the stroke team with contingency met following the onsite evaluation.
- The facility provided evidence of bi-annual cerebrovascular education as delineated by the Department for ancillary hospital staff (Physical Therapy/Occupational Therapy/Speech Therapy) who care for stroke patients.
- The facility provided evidence of patient/family education that is comprehensive and implementation of community education.
- The facility provided evidence of bi-annual education for EMS personnel on signs and symptoms of stroke.
- The facility has established a mechanism for receipt and tracking of EMS notifications of patients with signs and symptoms of stroke and feedback to EMS providers.
- Acute stroke patients are admitted to the Medical ICU, and when appropriate transferred to D5, the cardiac/stroke unit with tele-capable beds.
- Neuro-imaging services available 24/7 to perform and read CT/MRI scans consistent with time targets delineated by the Department.
- Policies and procedures exist for laboratory services 24/7 with laboratory results expedited for acute stroke patients.
- The facility has a transfer agreement in place with Upstate University Hospital in Syracuse that includes neurosurgery services 24/7 and a clinical timeframe of 2 hours for services received.

- The facility has a Quality Operations Committee that receives stroke team committee minutes. The facility provided evidence of stroke program ongoing monitoring and evaluating of stroke care processes and Get with the Guidelines metrics improvement efforts.
- Data for performance measures, time targets, and EMS measures are tracked as delineated by the Department.

Recommendation:

- Approval