MD PROCEDURE

A. PATIENT ASSESSMENT

- ABCs.
- Establish history (brief).
- PMH and medications (brief)--include prior disability.
- Perform a brief neurologic exam.
- Review thrombolytic inclusion and exclusion with the patient and family.
- BP Control.

If the patient is likely a thrombolytic candidate:

Give Labelatol 5-10 mg IV Q 15 mins. prn for SBP > 185 or DBP > 110 (not to exceed a total of 150 mg). **DO NOT USE A CONTINUOUS IV DRIP.**

For Ischemic Stroke ONLY: If the patient is not a thrombolytic candidate, avoid treating BP.

- Obtain consent.

B. VIDEOCONFERENCE

- Obtain consent for teleconference if not already done
- Present case to consulting physician.
- Introduce patient and family.
- Help consultation physician facilitate the history and physical.

C. t-PA CONSENT

- Obtain t-PA consent (see form).
- Sign t-PA order set.
- Sign post-t-PA orders.