

California Department of Public Health
California Stroke Registry
California Coverdell Program
FACT SHEET



Mission

The California Stroke Registry / California Coverdell Program (CSR/CCP) aims to:

- reduce the rate of premature death and disability from acute stroke
- increase public awareness of stroke treatment and prevention
- reduce disparities in acute stroke care by providing underserved populations with better access to treatment

Program Background

In 2003, state legislation was passed to develop a Master Plan for the prevention and treatment of heart disease and stroke. The Plan, *California's Master Plan for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention and Treatment, 2007-2015*, was adopted in 2007 and included a recommendation to create a statewide database to monitor the quality of acute stroke care in California. That same year, with support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) initiated development of the CSR to monitor the quality of acute stroke care across clinical settings, including pre-hospital care, provided via emergency medical services (EMS) and in-hospital care. Registry data are used to help hospitals and EMS partners close the gap between stroke care guidelines and practice.

Statistics

Stroke is the third leading cause of death and a major cause of disability in California. Over 13,400 Californians die of stroke each year.

Funding

In 2012, California became one of eleven states funded by CDC to participate in the Paul Coverdell National Acute Stroke Registry, whose long-term goal is to ensure that all Americans receive the highest quality stroke care available to reduce untimely deaths, prevent disability, and avoid recurrent strokes. As of 2014, more than 50 California hospitals have committed to participate in the state stroke registry.

Key Partners

- American Heart Association
- American Stroke Association
- Local Emergency Medical Services Agencies (LEMSAs)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Resources:

California's Master Plan for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention and Treatment, 2007-2015
<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/cvd/Documents/CHDSP-MasterPlan-LowRes.pdf>

Recommendations for the Establishment of an Optimal System of Acute Stroke Care for Adults
http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/cvd/Documents/CHDSP_stroke_system_2009.pdf

Paul Coverdell National Acute Stroke Registry http://www.cdc.gov/dhdsp/programs/stroke_registry.htm

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