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To: Region III EMS Clinicians

From: Timothy Chizmar, MD
State EMS Medical Director

Date: November 14, 2023

Re: **MedStar Franklin Square Medical Center (203) – Comprehensive Stroke Center**

I am pleased to share with you that MedStar Franklin Square Medical Center, located at 9000 Franklin Square Drive, Baltimore, MD 21237 is now a MIEMSS-designated Comprehensive Stroke Center.

As a reminder, EMS clinicians should assess acute stroke patients with the Cincinnati Prehospital Stroke Scale and Los Angeles Motor Scale (LAMS). Patients with suspected large vessel occlusion strokes (LAMS of 4 or greater) should be transported to the closest Comprehensive Stroke Center or thrombectomy-capable Primary Stroke Center, if there is one available within 30 minutes. For patients who are more than 30 minutes from these centers, EMS clinicians should transport to the closest designated Primary Stroke Center.

We are grateful to MedStar Franklin Square for their commitment to delivering state-of-the-art stroke care for our patients in central Maryland and beyond.

CC:
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