



Operational Information

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Confirmed New Telestroke Go Live Date

Staff may have been informed by hospital colleagues that the telestroke project in Cumbria and Lancashire went live on Wednesday 27 July.

NWAS in full consultation with the Cumbria and Lancashire Stroke Network have already implemented the necessary operational changes to support this go live date and NWAS staff do not need to change any practices. Current stroke clinical pathways which include use of the F.A.S.T screening tool, pre alerts to ED's and use of "blue light" driving conditions to convey patients that meet the criteria should continue to be used.

The telestroke project going live will allow hospital clinicians to provide a 24 hour service for thrombolysis of patients that they have screened, assessed and performed the appropriate investigation (CT Head) on.

Should you have any questions on the above please contact your local Advanced Paramedic or Operational Team

Acting Head of Service