

**Alabama Stroke Systems
Operations Group**
“Embracing Stroke Care in Alabama:
Our Progress, Our Future”

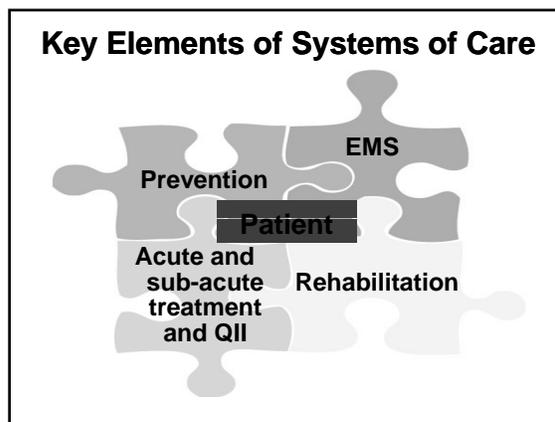
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**Stroke Patient
Treatment Initiatives**

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Ideal Stroke Environment

- Overall system coordination
 - Awareness and primary prevention
 - EMS and pre-hospital
 - Acute care
 - Secondary prevention
 - Rehabilitation and recovery
- Continuous quality improvement

Stroke Treatment Initiatives

- Geographic
 - National
 - Regional
 - State

Stroke Treatment Initiatives

- **Delivery systems**
 - Acute care
 - Outpatient
 - Telemedicine

National Initiatives

- **NQF Certified Measures**
- **Coverdell Stroke Registry**
- **Meaningful Use Inclusion**

Regional Efforts

- **Florida**
- **Georgia**
- **Tennessee**
- **Louisiana**
- **Mississippi**
- **Puerto Rico**

Florida: Stroke Systems Efforts

- **Florida Stroke Act**
 - Passed in 2004
 - **Implementation date: July 1, 2005**
 - **Ensured that strokes are recognized and are a high priority by EMS**

Florida: Stroke Systems Efforts

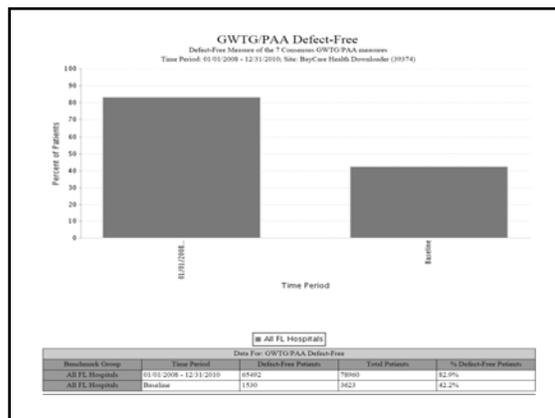
- **Stroke alert form and utilization of stroke transport protocols**

Florida: Stroke Systems Efforts

- **Ensure that EMS knows which hospitals provide appropriate stroke care**
 - **Hospital identification program**

Florida: Stroke Systems Efforts

- Ensure optimal care for in-hospital stroke treatment
 - Minimum criteria for stroke centers (primary and comprehensive)

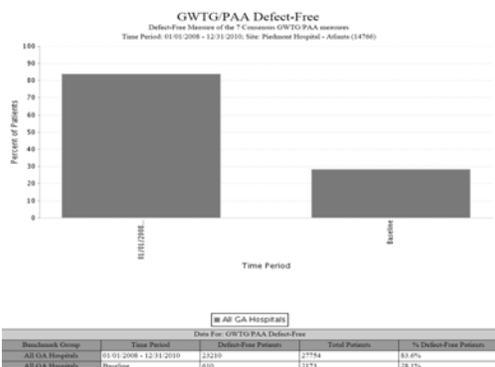


Georgia: Stroke Systems Efforts

- Coverdell Stroke Registry
 - Since 2000
- Telestroke within Georgia
- Georgia Stroke Professional Alliance
 - Formed in 2009

Georgia: Stroke Systems Efforts

- Coverdell Murphy Law
 - Passed in 2008
 - Final regulations 2011



Tennessee: Stroke Systems Efforts

- DOH COV Committee
- Stroke Registry
 - Since 2009
- TN Stroke Coordinator Coalition
 - Since 2009

Louisiana: Stroke Systems Efforts

- Statewide LEARN Board model
- Telestroke Project

Mississippi: Stroke Systems Efforts

- Statewide Responder communication network
- MS Healthcare Alliance
 - New in 2010

Puerto Rico: Stroke Systems Efforts

- First TJC PSC expected in 2011
- Telestroke Project

Alabama

- DPH support of Get With the Guidelines
- Telestroke pilot

