

Lakeway Regional Medical Center Launches Stroke Program

Timing Essential in Combatting Stroke

LAKEWAY, TX – October 5, 2015 – Lakeway Regional Medical Center today announced the launch of a stroke program which provides the highest level of stroke care to the community of Lakeway and the surrounding region. With a stroke of any kind, timing of treatment is critical for the care and prevention of serious debilitating side effects. As Lakeway and Western Travis County continue to grow, area residents need rapid access to the unique and specialized protocols required for treating stroke effectively.

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), more than 795,000 people in the United States suffer from stroke each year. In fact, stroke causes nearly 130,000 American deaths each year. Equally concerning is the fact that the incidence of stroke is increasing significantly among people between the ages of 40 and 60 years of age. Thus, it is imperative that stroke care be readily available to patients in need -- as timing is critical for anyone suffering a stroke.

Under the leadership of Dr. Darryl Camp, who is board certified in Vascular Neurology, Lakeway Regional Medical Center has assembled a team of fully-trained clinicians, including emergency care professionals, neurological physicians and neurosurgeons, radiological services, a full-service laboratory, critical care, medical nursing and therapy services.

"Time to treatment is crucial for stroke patients," said Dr. Darryl Camp, Stroke Medical Director. "Our team ensures that evidence-based protocols are followed for every patient, every time – ensuring the very best possible outcome."

Upon arrival in the Emergency Department, a specially-trained stroke team meets the patient and immediately begins evaluation and treatment for appropriate and timely care during this critical phase of stroke care. Evidence Based Protocols and care pathways have been designed and implemented to ensure that stroke care is standardized and consistent, including education for

patients and family members. LRMC employs a full-time stroke program coordinator who works in concert with Dr. Camp and, together with the nursing leaders and clinical nurse educators, they oversee the entire program.

In addition, stroke patients receive all aspects of current therapy, including the use of interventions such as Alteplase (tPA) as indicated. Patients requiring neurosurgical consultation can be treated by the team of neurosurgeons at NeuroTexas, all of whom are onsite on the LRMC campus.

"With any kind of stroke, time is of the essence," said Philippe Bochaton, CEO. "Dr. Camp and his team bring tremendous talent and dedication to achieving the best results by providing the fastest treatment options for stroke intervention. Now, quality stroke care is available to the Lakeway community where it is needed – close to home."

About Lakeway Regional Medical Center

Lakeway Regional Medical Center (LRMC) is a state-of-the art medical campus dedicated to the delivery of world-class healthcare. LRMC provides services in emergency medicine, neurosurgery, orthopedics, neurology, cardiology, general surgery, gastroenterology, women's health. For more information about LRMC, visit lakewayregional.com or call 512-571-5000.