

**The Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust TIA referral form
For Barnet Hospital and the Royal Free Hospital**

Refer sudden-onset *focal* loss of neurological function or sudden-onset painless *monocular* visual loss.
These patients have a high risk of stroke within a few days, so refer immediately.

Patient details	Name:	DOB:	NHS no	
Address:				
Telephone (inc mobile):			Other Contact Tele No:	
Transport required Yes/ No			Infection risk	
GP details	Name:	Event dates/times	Date	Time
Practice		Onset of index event		
		GP assessment		
Telephone (bypass number):		Referral received		

Atypical onset features	Yes	No
If 'Yes' to any of these at onset, TIA is an unlikely diagnosis, so consider alternative referral route.		
Gradual onset or spread of symptoms		
Seizure or loss of consciousness		
Transient amnesia		
Isolated vertigo with no other cranial nerve features		

Brief description of attack Please also attach referral letter with details of PMH, DH, allergies etc.

ABCD² score Circle one score for each category.		
Age	60 years or older	1
	Less than 60 years	0
BP	Systolic ≥ 140 or diastolic ≥ 90	1
	Systolic < 140 and diastolic < 90	0
Clinical features	Unilateral weakness	2
	Speech disturbed without weakness	1
	Others	0
Duration	60 minutes or longer	2
	10 - 59 minutes	1
	< 10 minutes	0
Diabetes	Known diabetic	1
	Not known to be diabetic	0
Enter total of circled scores (range 0 – 7)		

Referral algorithm	Is the patient currently symptomatic?	Yes	Acute stroke pathway Call HASU SpR on 07753739286 . If they agree, send patient to UCH HASU immediately with this form, usually via ambulance. Do not give aspirin.
	NO		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please ensure patient is available at short notice to attend the relevant clinic. - If seen after 3pm on Friday and ABCD2 score >4 please refer to UCLH HASU SpR. (call 07753739286). These patients will be seen at the weekend. - Weekend patients with ABCD <4 patient can be seen after the weekend - please refer locally see contact details to the left.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Give aspirin 300mg 2. Complete and send referral ASAP to: Barnet Hospital patients: RF-TR.TIAclinicreferrals@nhs.net Royal Free Hospital patients: Fax to 020 7472 6829 3. Advise patient not to drive until they have been seen at the clinic. 			