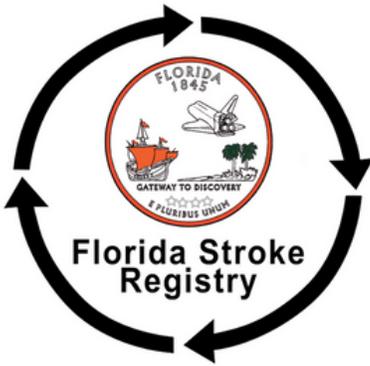


FSR UPDATE

The latest news from the Florida Stroke Registry



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2021 Legislative Session

As we end Q1 of 2021, March is the kickoff month for Florida's 2021 legislative session. This is a very important (and nail-biting) time for your Florida Stroke Registry (FSR) as it is during these state capitol meetings that decisions are made about the amount of funding, if any, to be appropriated to the FSR. We are hopeful that our state legislators see the value of our registry. To show them what we do, we have created a short (and long) video summarizing the FSR efforts to date. We also encourage you, FSR stakeholders, to voice your support of the FSR. Make it known to your local state representatives that the continuation of the FSR is necessary and valuable to you as a health provider and to your stroke centers. As always, we are grateful for the work you do and for your collaboration in making Florida the best in providing quality stroke care.



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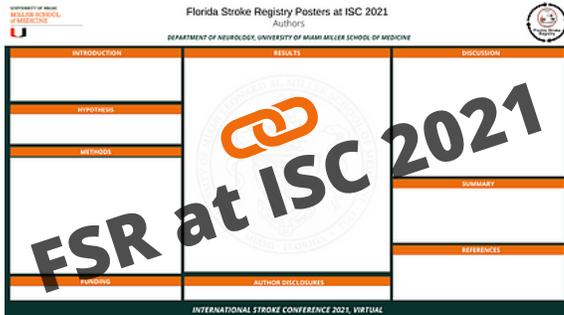
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<p>State support, the Florida Stroke Registry will continue to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> educating health disparities among Florida's minority demographics Contribute to improve the quality of stroke treatment in Florida Leverage state support to attract additional funding and grant in partnership with DCH 										

FSR Publications

Hopefully everyone was able to view this year's virtual International Stroke Conference (ISC), March 17-19, 2021. We are proud to have presented eight abstracts at this year's meeting! For those who want to get a second, or a first look, at our posters, they are now uploaded at the

website. We hope you will view and read our latest research on stroke disparities (related to cardiac monitoring, ICH outcomes, and reperfusion therapy); depression; impaired level of consciousness among ICH and treatment withdrawal; and stroke severity and social determinants of health associations. Click below and see all posters listed.



- 1 Withdrawal of Life-Sustaining Treatment Mediates Mortality in Intracerebral Hemorrhage Patients with Impaired Consciousness: The Florida Stroke Registry. Alkhachroum et al
- 2 Outcomes in Acute Ischemic Stroke Patients Presenting with Impaired Level of Consciousness. Alkhachroum et al
- 3 Race-Ethnic Disparities in Intracerebral Hemorrhage Outcomes. Bustillo et al
- 4 A Multi-Level Exploration of the Social Determinants of Health in Florida: Initial Findings from the Transitions of Care Stroke Disparities (TCSD) Study. Bustillo et al
- 5 Disparities in Delivery of Endovascular Therapy: Data from Florida Stroke Registry. Kremenz et al
- 6 Association between Antidepressants Use and Stroke Subtypes : Florida Stroke Registry. Siddu et al
- 7 Disparities in Timelines of Hospital Presentation in Patients with Ischemic Stroke: Florida Stroke Registry. Simpkins et al
- 8 Trends in Cardiac Monitoring after Ischemic stroke and TIA: The Florida Puerto Rico Atrial Fibrillation Stroke Study. Sur et al

In addition to the ISC posters, FSR research has recently been published in the *J. of Stroke Cerebrovascular Disease* (also featured through our listserv series, Friday Food For Thought). The manuscript focuses on the relationship between race/ethnic disparities in acute stroke care and resulting disparities in outcomes. The study reports that particularly among Hispanic patients, improvements in acute quality metrics, antithrombotic use and statin therapy, are associated with reduced odds of long-term mortality. This publication along with our other reports can all be found at the website under, "Access Our Latest Publications".



9th Annual FSR Stakeholder Meeting

Change of plans: The 9th Annual FSR Stakeholder Meeting was scheduled to be held in August. However, due to continued circumstances surrounding COVID-19, the FSR Annual Meeting Planning Committee decided that it would be best to postpone the meeting by a few months allowing for vaccinations, removal of travel restrictions, and the increased possibility that folks will feel comfortable to travel again. We are now scheduled for **December 9-10, 2021, at the Ritz Carlton in Orlando.**



The RSVP form is now live at the website. Please complete it as soon as you can to let us know that you will attend the meeting in December! We also want to know what topics you would like to hear about at the meeting, and if you would like to present.

We are tired of the long-distance relationship (not April-fooling you)

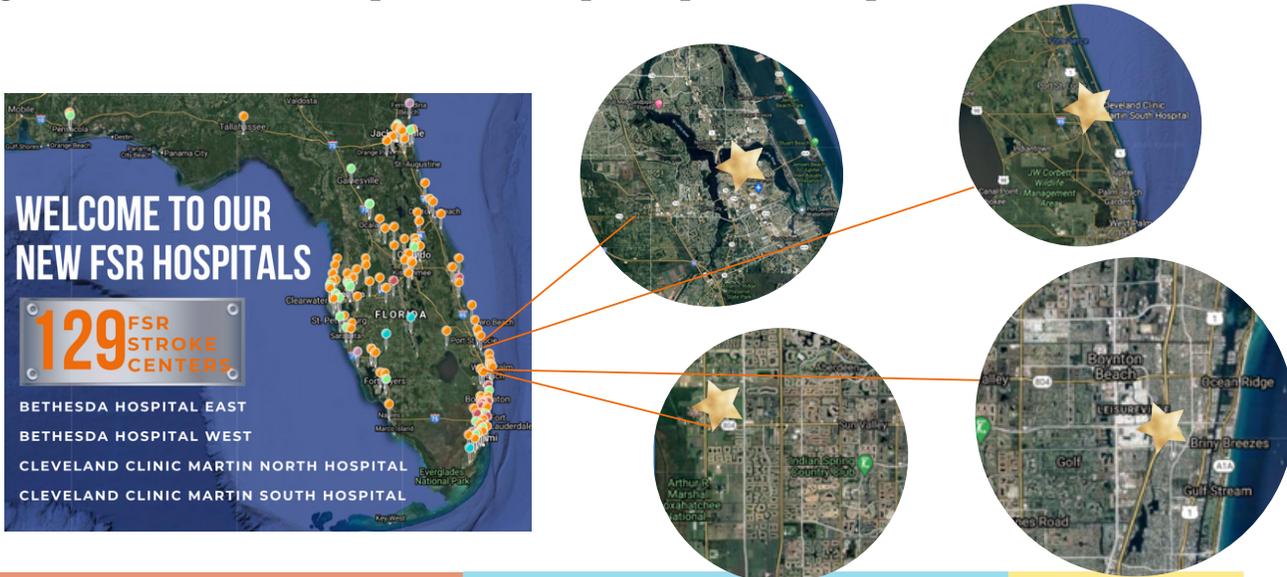
😊 Really! 😊

We want to see you in person at the 9th Annual FSR Meeting in Orlando!

RSVP Here

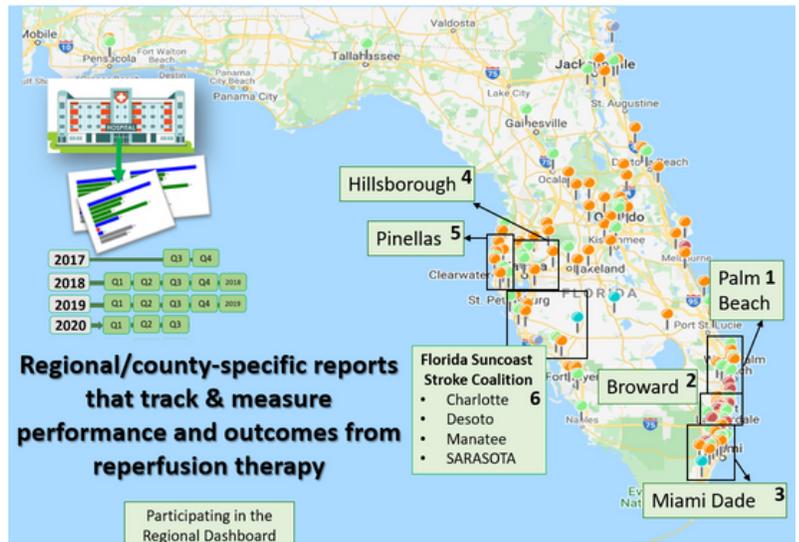
Welcome New FSR Participating Stroke Centers!

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our four newest members! **Bethesda Hospitals (East and West), and Cleveland Clinic Martin (North and South) Hospitals.** We are now 129! New sites and long-standing members, we are grateful for your collaboration and hope you will take advantage of the many forms of communication to keep us informed with your suggestions, feedback, best practices, hospital updates, and professional successes.



Florida Stroke Coalitions

We want to recognize the work and efforts of local stroke coalitions beginning with our acknowledgement of coalitions (regionally identified in the map) which work closely with the FSR. Stroke coalitions are generally made up of health care professionals, who meet regularly to discuss ways to improve the services they provide to their local communities. The FSR is proud to be a collaborator and participant within each of these six coalitions through the FSR-developed Regional Dashboards, which



the coalitions have incorporated in their meetings as a quality improvement activity that promotes the collaboration between their EMS and stroke center members. The development and dissemination of the dashboards begins with the FSR which distributes the blinded dashboards solely and directly to FSR stroke centers. Hospital members then may choose to share (and un-blind) their reports with their corresponding EMS Director. The Regional Dashboards consist of quarterly, FSR stroke center reperfusion therapy measures which are benchmarked among other local FSR stroke centers, as well as surrounding counties, and the state.



The newest stroke coalition formed this year is the Florida Suncoast Stroke Coalition (#6 in the map). The group represents four counties in west Florida, and their enthusiasm, efficiency, and ability to organize so rapidly is commendable. We look forward to providing updates on their successful efforts to improve their local systems of stroke care.



The longest standing stroke coalition in Florida and one of the first platforms in the US dedicated to Stroke Systems of Care, the WCF represents 16 counties extending from west central to east central Fl. Since 2001, the successful stroke coalition has been chaired by Charlie Sand, and has involved long-time collaborator, Kathy Fenelon (retired AHA). The WCF will hold a half day (8am-noon), virtual, and free meeting May 5, 2021. Please be on the lookout for more info at the FSR website and through the listserv. You should not miss the opportunity to attend!

Final points:

- If you know of other stroke coalitions statewide, please inform us.
- If you have not looked at your Dashboards yet, this is a great time to do so (click the link and/or contact us if you need help). [🔗](#)
- If you would like to see a sample of the [Regional](#) or [Hospital](#) Dashboards, visit our website (click the links) [🔗](#) [🔗](#)

THANK YOU FROM THE FSR!