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Colorado Retina Associates has diagnosed you with **acute retinal ischemia**. This is either a **Branch Retinal Artery Occlusion (BRAO)**, a **Central Retinal Artery Occlusion (CRAO)**, or a temporary loss of vision that might be related to a blocked artery, called **Transient Monocular Vision Loss (TMVL)**.

This condition is as serious as a stroke in the brain, and you could be at risk of a major stroke. It requires emergent stroke risk evaluation, including carotid ultrasound, echocardiogram and neuroimaging (preferably diffusion-weighted MRI, also called DWI-MRI*). CRAO and other types of sudden monocular vision loss—such as BRAO or retinal transient ischemic attack—greatly increase the risk of silent brain infarctions. One study found that 89% of strokes following monocular visual loss were silent*. Since these 3 conditions significantly increase the risk for subsequent clinical strokes, the researchers advised urgent and thorough evaluation on a stroke unit.

The American Heart Association recommends you have this evaluation at a designated Level 1 Comprehensive Stroke Center, within 24 hours if possible. A list of centers can be found on the back of this form.

*** Please have the stroke center fax a copy of the report ASAP to our office at (303) 261-1601.**

DATE: _____

PATIENT INFORMATION

FIRST NAME: _____ MI _____ LAST NAME: _____

DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY): _____ - _____ - _____

PHONE: _____ - _____ - _____. ICD-10 CODE: _____

CARDIOVASCULAR RISK FACTORS:

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1 Valérie Biousse, MD, Fadi Nahab, MD, Nancy J. Newman, MD. Management of Acute Retinal Ischemia: Follow the Guidelines! *Ophthalmology* 2018; 125: 1597-1607
2 <https://www.aao.org/eyenet/article/crao-harbinger-of-ischemic-stroke>

RECOMMENDED COMPREHENSIVE LEVEL 1 STROKE CENTERS

A **Comprehensive Level 1 Stroke Center (CSC)** offers the full spectrum of neuroendovascular therapy. A CSC must meet specialized metrics designated by the Joint Commission, the American Heart Association, and the American Stroke Association, including specialized cerebrovascular neurosurgeons, a neuroscience intensive care unit, 24/7 availability of endovascular procedures, participation in stroke research, and advanced imaging capabilities. A certified CSC is deemed to have specific abilities to treat the most complex stroke cases.

HealthONE: Swedish Neuro Network (866) 779-3347

- **Swedish Medical Center:** 501 E Hampden Ave, Englewood, CO 80113
- **North Suburban Medical Center:** 9191 Grant St, Thornton, CO 80229
- **Presbyterian/St. Luke's Medical Center:** 1719 E 19th Ave, Denver, CO 80218
- **Rose Medical Center:** 4567 E 9th Ave, Denver, CO 80220
- **Sky Ridge Medical Center:** 10101 Ridgeway Pkwy, Lone Tree, CO 80124
- **The Medical Center of Aurora:** 1501 S Potomac St, Aurora, CO 8001

UCHEALTH:

- **Stroke and Brain Aneurysm Center - Anschutz Medical Campus** (720) 848-2080
12401 E. 17th Avenue Leprino, Building, 3rd floor, Aurora, CO 80045
- **Memorial Hospital Central** (719) 365-5000
1400 E Boulder St, Colorado Springs, CO 80909

CENTURA HEALTH:

- **St. Anthony Hospital Stroke Center** (720) 321-0000
11600 W 2nd Place, Lakewood, CO, 80228
- **The Neuroscience Center at Littleton Adventist Hospital** (303) 730-8900
7700 S Broadway, Littleton, CO 80122

SCL Health - Lutheran Medical Center (303) 425-4500

- 8300 W 38th Ave, Wheat Ridge, CO 80033

ALTERNATE PRIMARY STROKE CENTERS

CENTURA HEALTH:

- **Porter Adventist Hospital** (303) 778-1955
2525 S Downing St. Denver, CO, 80210
- **St. Anthony Summit Hospital** (970) 668-3300

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