**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 at 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: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***COLORADO RETINA ASSOCIATES REFERRAL INFORMATION***

PHYSICIAN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (303) 261-1600

NPI#: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ FAX: (303) 261-1601

*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 Ridgegate 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](https://www.google.com/search?q=University+of+Colorado+Comprehensive+Stroke+Center+Adddress&oq=University+of+Colorado+Comprehensive+Stroke+Center+Adddress&aqs=chrome..69i57j33i10i160.2700j0j4&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8)

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

340 Peak One Dr, Frisco, CO 80443