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We're here to help

For more than 25 years the National Stroke Foundation has played a vital role in helping combat Australia's second largest killer and leading cause of adult disability.

When it comes to stroke, improving public awareness remains one of the most effective ways of tackling the problem. Teaching Australians about the risk factors and signs of stroke is a responsibility we take seriously – because recognising the major signs of stroke can be the difference between life and death.

We are committed to funding research on stroke prevention, treatment and providing support for stroke survivors. By assisting in the recovery process, we seek to restore people's active role in the community.

Stroke in Australia

A stroke happens to someone in Australia about every 10 minutes.

One third of people who have a stroke will not survive, while a third of remaining survivors will live with some form of permanent disability. Only one third will recover and live a full life.

A stroke occurs when blood supply to the brain is suddenly blocked, which in turn causes a number of brain cells to die. The effects of a stroke can range from sudden death, to minor speech impairment, to permanent paralysis.

It may surprise you to know that stroke doesn't only happen to old people. Young Australians are also struck down in the prime of their lives by this condition, making it an even more important health issue than you may have once thought.

Tragically, many Australian lives could have been saved by educating the community about the risk factors for stroke and how stroke can be prevented.

**Please support the National Stroke Foundation in its mission to:
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