

Stroke Core Competency Framework - Resources

Listed below are links to recommended resources for your reference. Please contact your local Regional Stroke Network for additional opportunities to support your learning and development.

→ **CorHealth Ontario**

- CorHealth Ontario, part of Ontario Health, has a mandate to connect and coordinate our province's health care system to help ensure that Ontarians receive the best possible care. This website brings together important information from two legacy organizations – the Cardiac Care Network of Ontario and the Ontario Stroke Network. You will find information for health care planners and providers working in stroke care.

→ **Aphasia Institute**

- The Aphasia Institute through direct service, research, education, and training, have pioneered programs and practices which help people with aphasia learn how to communicate in new ways and with the skills to begin to navigate their own lives again.
- You will find programs and services, education and training, and the Community Hub to access more resources such as the free introduction to Supported Conversation for Adults with Aphasia (SCA™) eLearning modules and pictographic images

→ **March of Dimes**

- The March of Dimes Canada After Stroke Program provides information about stroke recovery for persons living with stroke, caregivers, and healthcare providers

→ **Evidence-Based Review of Stroke Rehabilitation**

- The 19th edition of the Evidence-Based Review of Stroke Rehabilitation (EBRSR) includes in-depth reviews of over 4,500 studies including over 2,170 randomized controlled trials. This website also includes a Clinician's Handbook, Educational Modules, and Appendices.

→ **Heart & Stroke Canada**

- Heart & Stroke is a leading funder of life-saving research, which has led to breakthroughs such as heart transplant surgery and a revolutionary stroke treatment that cuts the death rate by 50%. This website includes information for professionals as well as information appropriate for Patients & Families including: What is stroke? Signs of Stroke; Treatments; Risk and Prevention; Recovery and Support.

→ **Canadian Stroke Best Practices Recommendations**

- These recommendations drive evidence-based stroke care to achieve optimal patient outcomes and quality of care. This website includes current best practice recommendations, key quality indicators, stroke reports, and resources - for both healthcare providers, persons with stroke, and their caregivers.
- [Canadian Stroke Best Practices - Resources](#)

→ **Stroke Engine**

- This website was built with the goal of bridging the gap in knowledge translation between research findings and current clinical practice. This site can be used to find current information about the psychometric and pragmatic properties of assessment tools used in stroke rehabilitation as well as the value of various interventions used in stroke rehabilitation. This website also includes information about the consequences of stroke and offers additional resources.

→ **SWOSN Acute Stroke Unit Orientation**

- This resource was developed and is maintained by the Southwestern Ontario Stroke Network. It is available to healthcare providers as an acute stroke unit (ASU) orientation self-directed learning program. It consists of 11 core modules and 5 supplemental modules.

→ **SWOSN Stroke Rehabilitation Unit Orientation**

- This resource was developed and is maintained by the Southwestern Ontario Stroke Network. It is available to healthcare providers for use as a rehabilitation unit orientation self-directed learning program. It consists of 12 core modules and 6 supplemental modules.

→ [Apex Innovations Canadian Hemispheres 3.0™](#)

- Canadian Hemispheres 3.0™ Stroke Competency Series presents 9 guideline-based courses from stroke basics to urgent management, with an emphasis on excellence in quality care. This series promotes a healthcare team's skill, strategy, and performance, resulting in positive patient outcomes.

**This program requires a registration fee. Please consult your local Stroke Network about availability and access.

Regional Stroke Networks in Ontario:

- [Central East Stroke Network](#)
- [Central South Stroke Network](#)
- [Champlain Regional Stroke Network](#)
- [Northeastern Ontario Stroke Network](#)
- [Northwestern Ontario Regional Stroke Network](#)
- [North & East GTA Stroke Network](#)
- [Southeastern Ontario Stroke Network](#)
- [South East Toronto Stroke Network](#)
- [West GTA Stroke Network](#)
- [Southwestern Ontario Stroke Network](#)
- [Toronto West Stroke Network](#)