

If you wish to opt out

If you are opposed to being enrolled in a NETT study in the event that you were to suffer a neurological emergency, you can request an "opt out" bracelet by calling 513-558-NETT (0095). Leave your name and address, and a bracelet will be mailed to you.

For more information about the Neurological Emergency Treatment Trials, please visit <http://nett.umich.edu/nett/welcome>

Or contact: 513-558-NETT (0095) or ewingi@ucmail.uc.edu

You can help protect yourself from a brain emergency.

- Always wear a seat belt
- Always obey highway laws
- Always wear a helmet when bicycling, skateboarding, or riding a motorcycle
- Do not talk on a cell phone or send or view text messages while driving
- Following a seizure, do not drive until cleared by your doctor
- Grasp handrails when using stairs
- Never stand on the top step of a ladder
- Wear skid-resistant footwear in wintery weather
- Enter unfamiliar bodies of water feet first
- When diving, be sure the water is 10- to 12-feet deep

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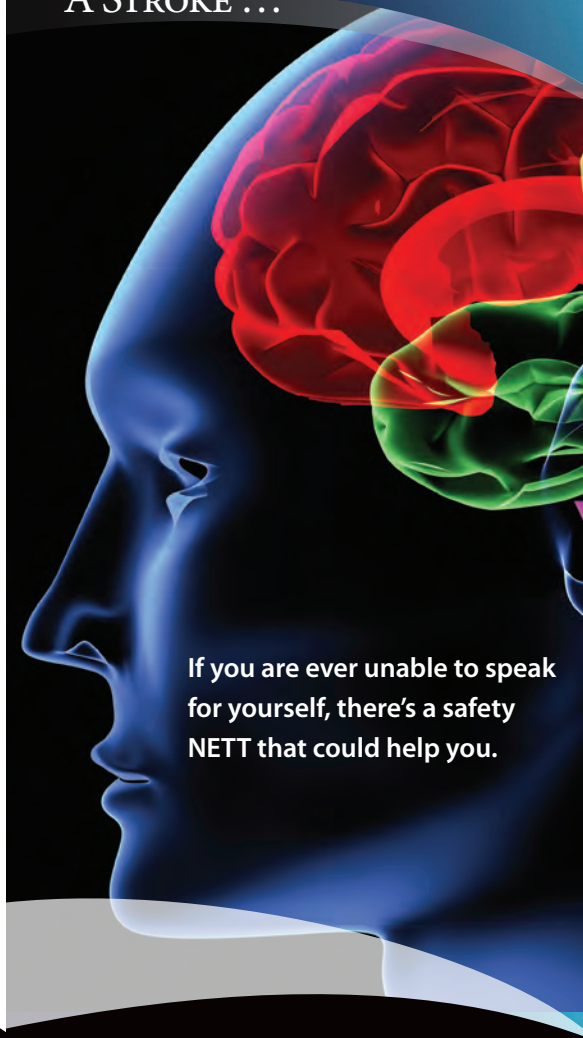
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Every year 1.1 million Americans suffer a devastating brain or spine emergency – about one every 28 seconds. These emergencies can be caused by strokes, seizures, vehicle crashes, falls, or severe blows to the head. Every year 250,000 Americans die from brain and spinal emergencies, and thousands more suffer a loss of independence.

Researchers cannot cure all sudden brain emergencies, but they are working hard to find new therapies that can minimize the damage after an accident, stroke, or seizure has occurred.

Testing new treatments is part of this process.

The goal is to find out what therapies work best.



In early 2007 the National Institutes of Health (NIH) established NETT – the Neurological Emergencies Treatment Trials. NETT is a permanent research network that currently involves 17 university medical centers throughout the United States.

The University of Cincinnati Neuroscience Institute is part of this large and ongoing network. NETT enables physicians from many disciplines to work together as they search for better ways to treat brain emergencies. With the enduring framework for NETT in place, researchers can begin new neurological emergency studies whenever new therapies become available for testing.

Think of NETT as a kind of safety net.

Under normal circumstances, people participate in clinical trials after careful consideration and after providing their consent. People who suffer a brain emergency, however, are unlikely to be conscious or able to provide informed consent for themselves. In such emergency cases, a relative or guardian can provide consent for the patient.

In the event that a relative or guardian cannot be reached, federal law* has established a system that allows physicians to begin emergency investigational treatment, provided that:

- 1) no proven or effective treatment is available;
- 2) the patient's situation is life-threatening;
- 3) early (preclinical) studies have shown that participation in the research holds the prospect of direct benefit for the patient;
- 4) the risks of the treatment are reasonable in light of the patient's life-threatening medical condition;
- 5) the risks of the treatment are reasonable in light of the known risks and benefits of standard therapy; and
- 6) the research could not be carried out without a waiver from consent.

Because of this regulation, an individual who suffers a neurological emergency could receive a treatment that might impact his or her outcome.

* FDA 21 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 50.24



The trauma center at Cincinnati's University Hospital, a teaching hospital affiliated with the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, is one of 17 academic health centers that are part of NETT.

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New York Presbyterian Hospital
Oregon Health and Science University
Stanford University Medical Center
Temple University
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University of California, San Francisco
University of Cincinnati
University of Kentucky
University of Maryland
University of Minnesota
University of Pennsylvania
University of Texas Medical School at Houston
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