



Stroke

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Southern Illinois Healthcare Stroke Network
Brain & Spine Institute
305 West Jackson Street, Suite 103
Carbondale, IL 62901

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Dear 4th/5th Grade Teacher,

The community education goal of the Southern Illinois Healthcare Stroke Network is to decrease death and disability from stroke for all the people in the communities we serve. Our approach is multi-faceted and includes educating the public on stroke prevention and acute stroke symptom recognition and response.

Part of our multi-faceted approach involves empowering school age children to teach their friends, family and loved ones the importance of recognizing and responding to stroke symptoms. I have put together an effective, interactive curriculum to help your students further understand their potential role in saving someone's life.

Regarding delivery of the curriculum, it is intended to be a 30 – 45 minute lesson including a pre-test, learning activities, student take home component and post-test. This lesson can be delivered by me personally or by the teacher of your choice. My personal qualifications include a B.S. in Health Education, many years teaching and administering adult traffic safety education courses, experience as a substitute teacher in local public schools and public speaking experience.

I look forward to working with you to empower your students to advocate for anyone who may be having a stroke by calling 911, and teaching others to do the same. Please contact me directly at (618)457-5200, ext. 67837 if you have any questions or require further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Gregory M. Smith RN'.

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