

SYMPOSIUM AGENDA

Friday, October 9, 2026

7:30 – 7:50 AM	Continental Breakfast
7:50 – 8:00 AM	Welcome and Introduction Gregory Robbins, MD
8:00 – 8:30 AM	Stroke Impairments and Prognostic Tools Gregory Robbins, MD
8:30 – 9:00 AM	Updates on Extended Time Window for Thrombolytics Balaji Krishnaiah, MD
9:00 – 9:30 AM	Stages of Stroke Rehab: Acute, Subacute, Chronic Care Setting and Goals Gregory Robbins, MD
9:30 - 9:45 AM	Question and Answer
9:45 – 10:00 AM	Break
10:00 – 10:30 AM	Secondary Complications of Stroke: Functional Impact and Treatment Strategies Danielle Hassel, MD
10:30 – 10:45 AM	TBD Duncan Monger, PT, DPT
10:45 – 11:00 AM	Social Barriers to Community Reintegration TBD
11:00 – 11:15 AM	Question and Answer
11:15 – 12:00 PM	Lunch
12:00 – 12:30 PM	Community Reintegration for Patients with Cognitive Impairments Brandon Baughman, PhD
12:30 – 1:30 PM	Multidisciplinary Panel Discussion – Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech-Language Pathologist, Social Work, Physiatrists, Neurology
1:30 – 1:35 PM	Closing Remarks and Adjournment Gregory Robbins, MD

COURSE DIRECTOR



Gregory Robbins, MD
Chief of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
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REGISTRATION

Online registration is available at:
<https://cenow.uthsc.edu/content/2026-stroke-symposium>
There is no cost to attend this symposium.

ACTIVITY LOCATION

University of Tennessee Health Sciences
Hamilton Eye Institute – Freeman Auditorium
930 Madison Avenue, 3rd Floor
Memphis, TN 38163

PARKING

Hamilton Eye Institute Parking Garage (H Lot)
Location: Madison Avenue at Pauline Street
(across from Landau Uniforms)

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2026 UT Health Sciences Stroke Chronic Care Symposium

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CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION

The University of Tennessee Health Sciences Department of Neurology is hosting a one-day stroke symposium. The symposium is aimed at improving treatment for patients through the dissemination of knowledge and resources used to provide care for neurologically impaired individuals. The symposium’s format will consist of lectures, question and answer sessions, and a multidisciplinary panel discussion. Topics will be focused on a wide range of information related to current trends for optimal care and best practice strategies for patients who have suffered a stroke.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

- Describe the goals and strategies of stroke rehabilitation across different stages of care (i.e. acute vs chronic).
- Discuss common complications after a stroke and treatment strategies.
- Recognize interdisciplinary approaches that enhance coordination and quality of care throughout the stroke continuum.
- Integrate emerging rehabilitation strategies to improve post-stroke outcomes.
- Review the evolution of thrombolytic therapy and emerging strategies to expand treatment eligibility and improve stroke outcomes.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE GAP

Rehabilitation services are underutilized in people living with stroke (PLWS) after the first year, despite evidence that ongoing rehabilitation can lead to functional gains. Access to services may be limited by insurance, various social factors, or geography. Lapses in rehabilitation may also occur in certain care settings, such as a SNF, if barriers to participation are not addressed or if appropriate goals are not identified. Non-motor deficits are less likely to be recognized than motor deficits, though they significantly impact quality of life. PLWS require ongoing, periodic assessment of outpatient therapies, pharmacotherapy, and social support.

2026 SYMPOSIUM FACULTY



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Duncan Monger, PT, DPT
Physical Therapist
Regional One Health



TBD
Licensed Clinical Social Worker
TBD

DESIRED OUTCOME

This symposium is designed to provide interactive educational activities that discuss complicated case scenarios that have been shown to improve participant application of evidence-based medicine for stroke patients. Providing a format for adult learning that includes lectures, case-based studies, an interactive question and answer session, collaborative sharing of patient care issues, and networking with other healthcare professionals has shown to improve participant knowledge and competency.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Neurologists, primary care physicians, physician assistants, advanced practice providers, registered nurses, EMS, social workers, fellows, residents, and medical students

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