

**FROM PHIL COLLIS**

<http://www.slideshare.net/PhilCollis/a-new-approach-to-younger-peoples-stroke-services>

Hi David,

With regard to the Forum report, there are a couple of things:

1. There is an agreement with LAS with regard to time to get to attend - the maximum is 30 minutes. ( This was agreed as part of the 'Consultation' for the redesign of London Stroke Services).
2. After spending millions on raising awareness of 'FAST' in the public domain. As much as I hate to criticise any ambulance service with 'time' being the major issue for stroke. I am afraid that the particular incident that you highlight in the report underpins the need for the raising awareness of 'FAST'. How a paramedic has not used this as part of the assessment process of the patient is beyond me.

There have been a number of incidents where Public Service staff have not recognised a person having a stroke. There is obviously further need for training and awareness of stroke and in particular - FAST

Take care,

Phil