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The REMAC of New York City has proposed revisions to the current regional Prehospital Treatment Protocols.

Deleted language is BOLD RED AND STRUCK-OUT --- DELETED

New language is BOLD BLUE AND UNDERLINED --- NEW

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October 11, 2016 Public Notice
Proposed Protocol Revision

**GENERAL OPERATING PROCEDURES (GOP):**

| Summary: Extend the time parameter for transport of Stroke patients to designated Stroke Centers from 3.5 hours to 5 hours. |

Deleted language is **RED Strike-out**
New Language is **Blue Under-scored**

**Acute Stroke (page A6, GOP)**

If the historical/physical findings indicate an acute stroke, transport the patient to the nearest NYS DOH designated Stroke Center (See Appendix R, Stroke Patient Criteria), unless one of the following conditions is met:

- The patient is in cardiac arrest;
- The patient has other medical conditions that warrant transport to the nearest appropriate hospital emergency department as per protocol;
- The total time from when the patient's symptoms and/or signs first began to when the patient is first assessed by EMS is greater than three and one-half (3 ½) five (5.0) hours;
- An on-line medical control physician so directs.