

# Saint Luke's Stroke Center

Each year, over 700 people with ischemic and hemorrhagic stroke are cared for at the nationally prominent Saint Luke's Stroke Center. Many come by helicopter or ambulance from more than 60 hospitals in the region.

*Just Get Here! The stroke team at the Saint Luke's Brain and Stroke Institute has sent this message loud and clear to people in and around Kansas City since 1993.*

Our services cover the entire spectrum of care including acute intervention, prevention of complications, secondary prevention and neurorehabilitation. Our specialty trained physicians and nurses are supported by the most current technologies to take care of:

- Ischemic stroke
- Transient Ischemic Attack (TIA)
- Intracerebral hemorrhage
- Subarachnoid hemorrhage
- Unruptured aneurysm
- Arteriovenous malformation (AVM)
- Carotid stenosis

A patient with an ischemic stroke who gets to the Saint Luke's Stroke Center in time is 10 times more likely to receive stroke reversal treatment than the national average. To read about more cases of stroke reversal treatment, visit [www.911stroke.org](http://www.911stroke.org).

## Research

The Saint Luke's Stroke Team has been active in bringing new therapies for stroke to the people of Kansas City and region since the first study using the clot buster, tPA, in the early 1990s. That culture of innovation continues as our center is always selected to participate in the most prestigious research studies.

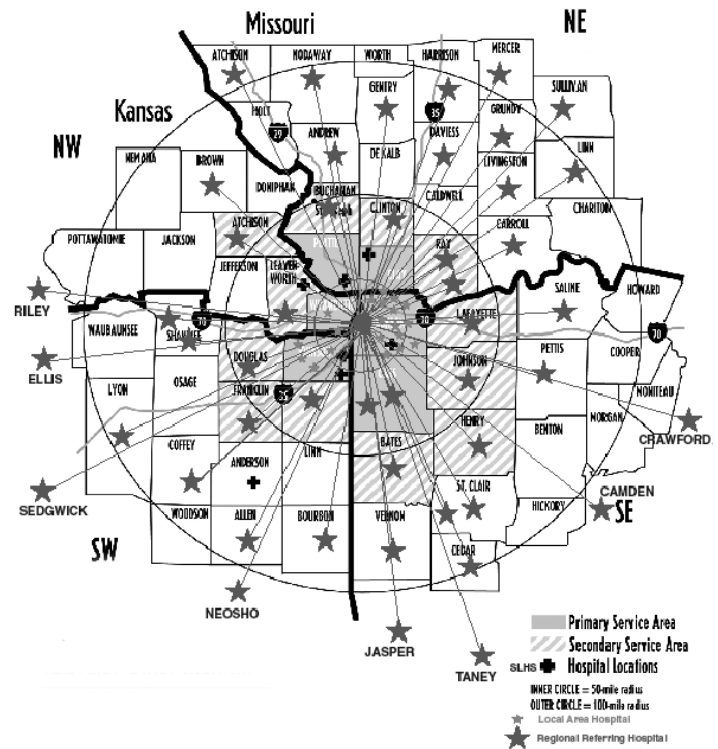


## Comeback of a Lifetime

Heather Williams of Paola, Kan., suffered a major stroke at 28. Just a few months later she had almost completely recovered—thanks to quick thinking family and paramedics, and the state-of-the-art care offered by Saint Luke's Brain and Stroke Institute.



## Neurovascular Referral Network



### Saint Luke's Stroke Center Milestones

- 1993 – Saint Luke's Hospital Stroke Center opens.
- 1994 – Named as a site for the original tPA (clot buster) trial for acute stroke sponsored by the National Institutes of Health.
- 1996 – Featured in the *New York Times* science section for innovative stroke treatment.
- 1998 – Saint Luke's Hospital Stroke team featured nationally on 48 Hours.
- 1999 – Listed in *Time* magazine as one of the seven best stroke centers in the United States.
- 2000 – Discovery Channel featured stroke reversal therapy at Saint Luke's Hospital Stroke Center in two documentaries.
- 2001 – HCIA-Sachs includes Saint Luke's Hospital Stroke Center on list of 100 best hospitals in the United States for stroke care.
- 2002 – Inpatient and outpatient neuroscience services are integrated into the Saint Luke's Brain and Stroke Institute.
- 2004 – Stroke team featured in *Newsweek*, *Business Week* and ABC World News Tonight for its innovative work in stroke reversal therapies.
- 2006 – Saint Luke's completes its 200th case using the MERCI Retriever, representing the largest experience in the world.
- 2007 – Publication of *The Stroke Center Handbook* authored by Dr. Marilyn Rymer and Debbie Summers of the Saint Luke's Stroke Center.

### Locations

#### Outpatient Offices • (816) 531-4080

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 20 N. E. Saint Luke's Blvd., Lee's Summit, MO 64086

#### Saint Luke's Brain and Stroke Institute

Saint Luke's Hospital campus  
 4401 Wornall Road  
 Kansas City, MO 64111

- Neuroscience unit
- Dedicated Stroke Center
- Rehabilitation unit
- Neurosurgical ICU and operating room of the future
- Medical ICU
- Neurointerventional radiology suites
- Shaped beam radiosurgery center

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