

TIA Scale

A. 1 Point

- >60 years
- SBP >140 or DBP >90
- Speech disturbance
- Symptoms lasting 10-50 minutes

B. 2 points

- unilateral weakness
- symptoms lasting >60 minutes

C. Interpretation:

- Score < 4 points → no risk of stroke within 7 days
- Score = 6 points → 36% risk of stroke within 7 days

D. Hospitalize:

1. Creshendo TIAs (>3 in 72 hour period)
2. Patients at risk for cardiogenic embolism (require anticoagulation)
 - a. atrial fibrillation
 - b. mitral stenosis
 - c. prosthetic cardiac valve
 - d. recent MI
 - e. LV thrombus
 - f. Left atrial appendage
 - g. Atrial myxoma
 - h. Dilated cardiomyopathy
 - i. Infective endocarditis

E. Minor risk factors

1. MVP
2. mitral annular calcifications
3. patent foramen ovale
4. atrial septal aneurysm
5. calcific aortic stenosis
6. LV regional wall motion abnormality
7. aortic arch atheromatous plaques

F. If discharge → start on 50-325mg ASA. If on ASA, start dipyridamole or clopidogrel.