

Mayo Clinic Minute: Telestroke technology inside ambulances

VIDEO	AUDIO
Jason	Stroke telemedicine, also called “telestroke,” uses audio and visual technology to connect emergency room patients with stroke specialists.
Jason	And now telestroke is going mobile inside ambulances.
W. David Freeman, M.D. Neurology Mayo Clinic	“The cool part about that is that Mayo physicians will be into a moving ambulance to look at the patient while they’re traveling to our Mayo hospital.”
Nats up	“Now let’s do the left leg...”
Jason	The time saved with telestroke often is vital in preventing major neurological disabilities and can be a matter of life and death.
Dr. Freeman	“We measured previously that saved 7½ minutes. And we know that’s 1.9 million brain cells per minute. So you can do the math about how many millions of brain cells that can potentially save.”
Jason	Having a prompt telestroke evaluation and assessment increases the possibility of administering treatment in time to reduce stroke-related disabilities.
Dr. Freeman	“Time is brain. We continue to advance the science and try to heal the sick.”
Jason	For the Mayo Clinic News Network, I’m Jason Howland.