

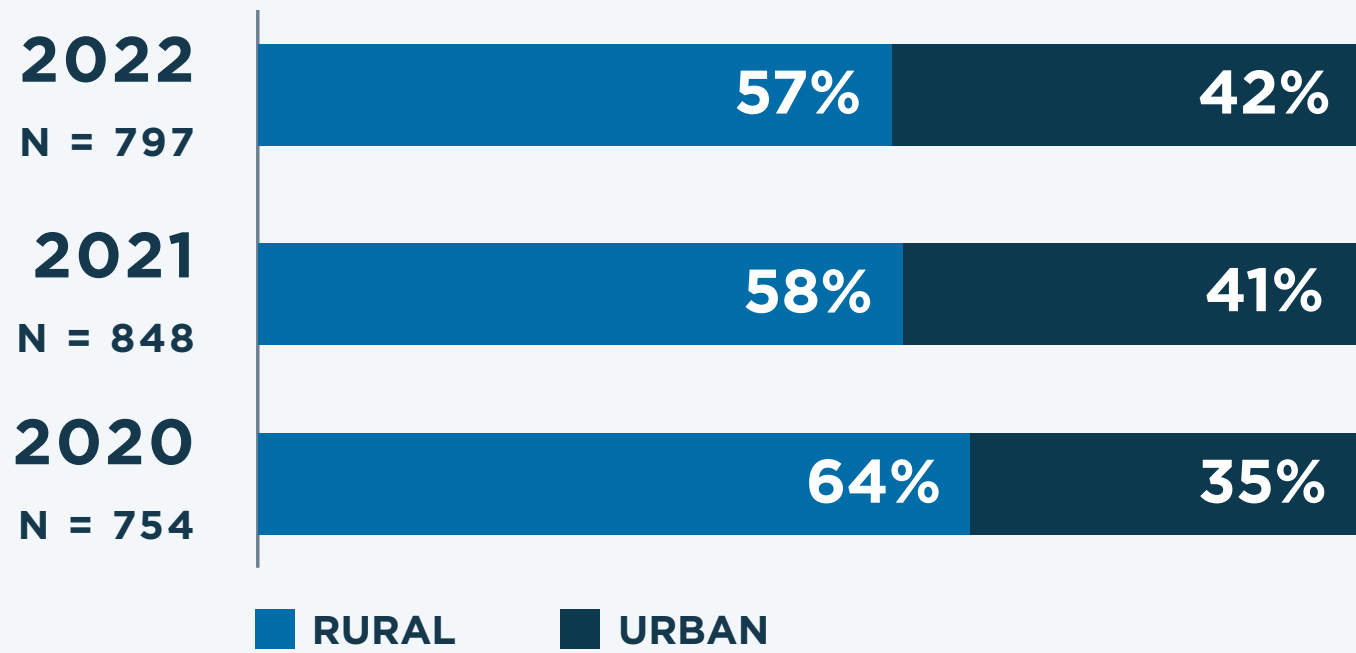
ND RURAL EMS COUNTS STROKE



URBAN/RURAL

Encounters were classified as having occurred in an urban or rural setting based on the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid classifications.

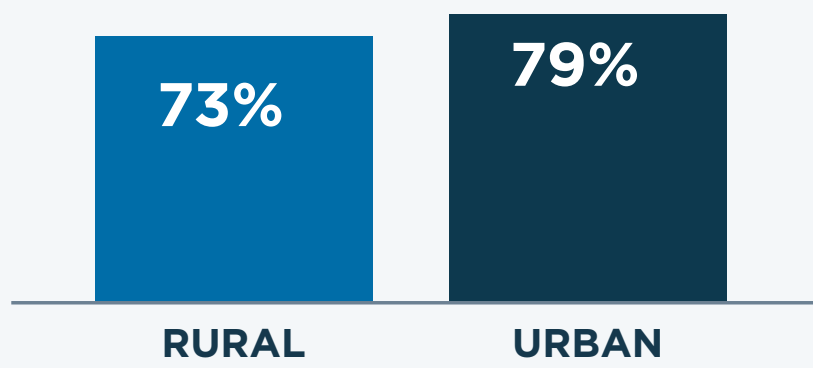
YEAR OVER YEAR STROKE RECORDS



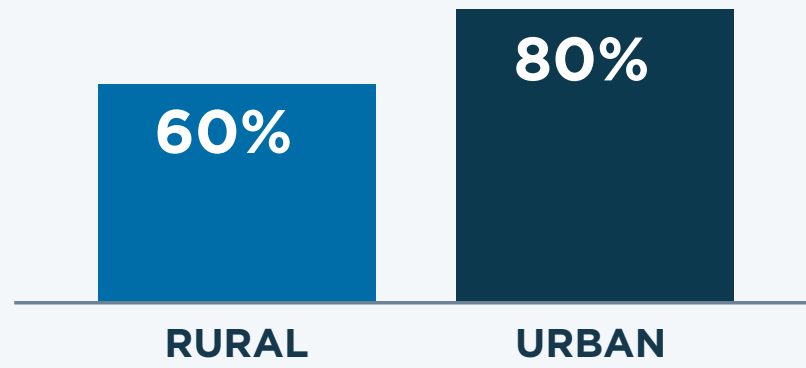
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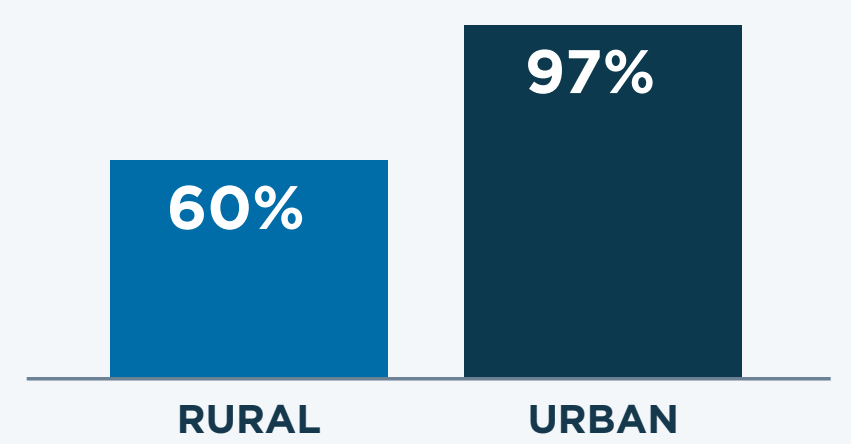
BLOOD GLUCOSE CHECK



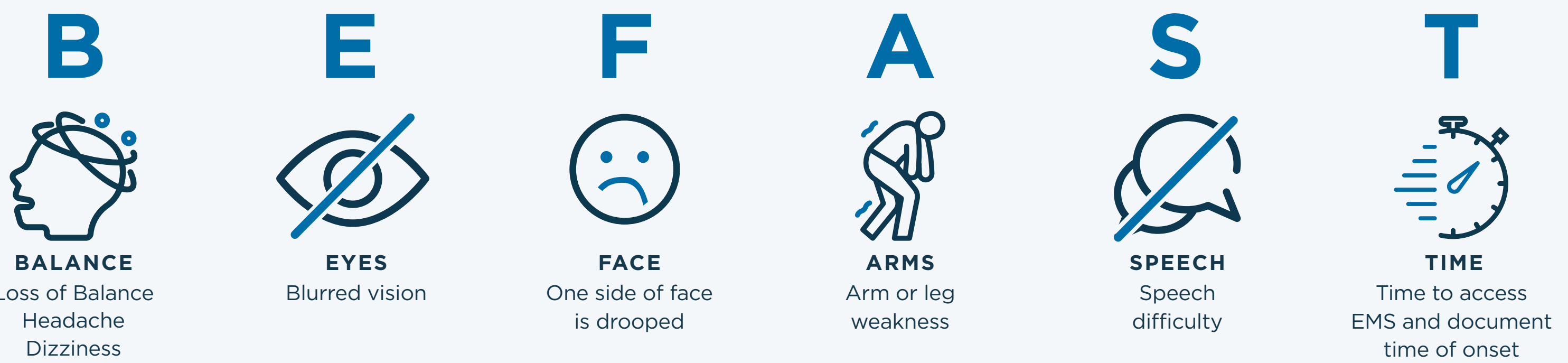
LAST KNOWN WELL OR TIME OF ONSET



STROKE ASSESSMENT

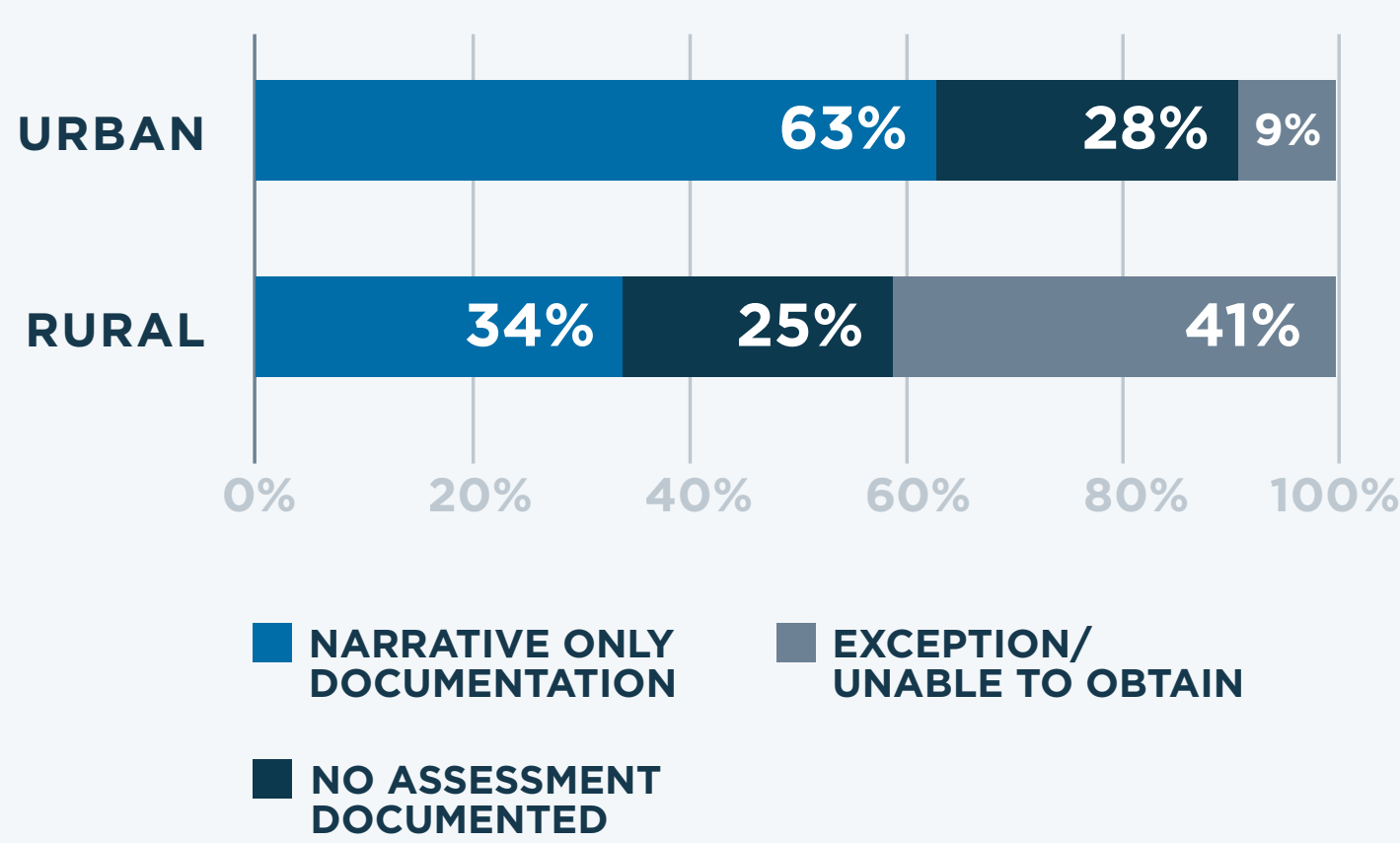


BEFAST FOR STROKE ASSESSMENT



EMS NARRATIVE REVIEW: STROKE ASSESSMENT

For records without a stroke assessment documented in the drop-down data fields, researchers reviewed a random sample of EMS free text narratives to look for drivers.



In 2/3 of encounters in rural settings without a documented stroke assessment, an assessment was recorded in the narrative free-text only, suggesting an important area for documentation improvement.

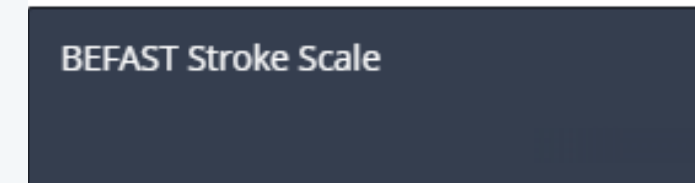
HOW TO DOCUMENT STROKE ASSESSMENT IN ESO EHR

Documenting a complete stroke assessment in your EHR using the appropriate drop down menus is essential for data sharing with the hospital clinicians and performance improvement initiatives.

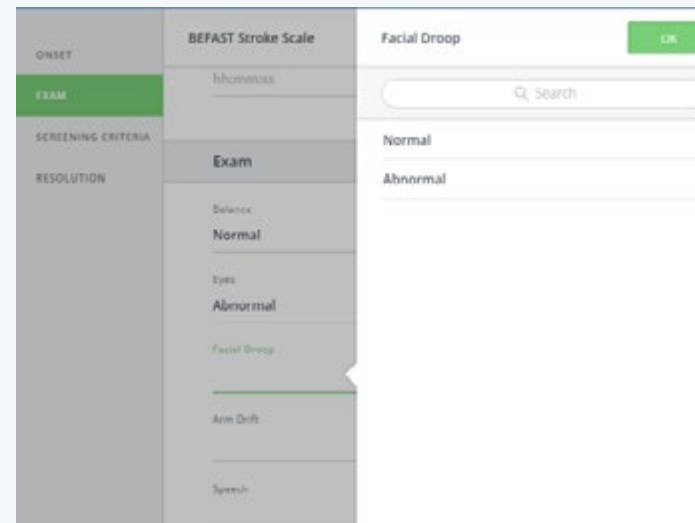
Step 1: Select Forms button



Step 2: Select BEFAST stroke scale button



Step 3: Fill out the form



INSIGHTS



BLOOD GLUCOSE CHECK

Assessing blood glucose can help rule out hypoglycemia, which can present with signs and symptoms similar to stroke.



LAST KNOWN WELL/ONSET.

Obtaining this information in the prehospital setting is key for the receiving facility as it can effect eligibility for treatments.

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