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FACT SHEET

Summary of Survey Results

Public Awareness of the Warning Signs of Stroke Among Bloomington-Normal Residents

Sample Size: 1,314 (Survey No. 1); 1,216 (Survey No. 2)

Question: "Do you know what a stroke is?"

Answer: 91 percent answered "yes"--(Survey No. 1)
96 percent answered "yes"--(Survey No. 2)

Findings:

Any warning signs of stroke:

43 percent did not know any warning signs of stroke--
(Survey No. 1)

22 percent did not know any warning signs of stroke--
(Survey No. 2)

One warning sign of stroke:

19 percent could name at least one warning sign of
stroke--(Survey No. 1)

36 percent could name at least one warning sign of
stroke--(Survey No. 2)

Incorrect warning signs of stroke:

In both surveys, the most commonly reported *incorrect*
warning signs of stroke were: chest pain, shortness of
breath

Male/female comparison, one warning sign of stroke:

52.9 percent of men could not name one warning sign,
compared to 33.1 percent of women--(Survey No. 1)

46 percent of men could not name one warning sign,
compared to 19 percent of women--(Survey No. 2)

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Age comparison, one warning sign of stroke:

66 percent of those, aged 55-65, could not name a single warning sign of stroke--(Survey No. 1)

41 percent of those, aged 55-65, could not name a single warning sign of stroke--(Survey No. 2)

Survey results will be presented at the 23rd International Joint Conference on Stroke and Cerebral Circulation, Orlando, Fla., February, 1998

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