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Stroke

National Diabetes Information Clearinghouse (NDIC)

Definitions

Blood vessels

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A condition in which the blood supply to the brain is suddenly cut off, caused by a blockage or the bursting of a **blood vessel** in the brain or neck. Then brain tissue can be damaged. A stroke can cause a person to lose the ability to speak or move parts of the body.