Pediatric Neurology Emergency Room Consultations

Resident Coverage: child neurology fellow covers emergencies from Friday 4 PM to Monday 8 AM - there is no in-house pediatric neurology coverage

Suggested pediatric neurology consults
1) Status epilepticus (i.e. 2 unprovoked seizures without return to baseline, or continuous seizure activity lasting greater than 15 minutes).
2) Idiopathic altered mental status
3) Any question of stroke
4) First time seizure:
   • if prolonged (> 5 minutes) or recurrent seizures
   • not back to baseline mental status
5) Breakthrough seizure
   • advice regarding anticonvulsant dose adjustment
   • not back to baseline mental status
   • recurrent or prolonged seizures
6) Status migrainosus
   • unresponsive to aggressive IV hydration and medical therapies including IV valproic acid 20 mg/kg up to 1,000 mg

Scheduling Options
A) Patient can be seen in ER in AM by on-call neurology attending 7 days/week
B) Patient can be scheduled within 1-2 days in neurology clinic
   Always do ad hoc referral
   In addition, physicians only may leave patient info to ensure appt scheduled appropriately on pediatric neurology division voice mail: Debbie Roybal, admin assistant: 272-3152, or her supervisor Janette Montoya 272-4517

Pediatric attending always available via PALS