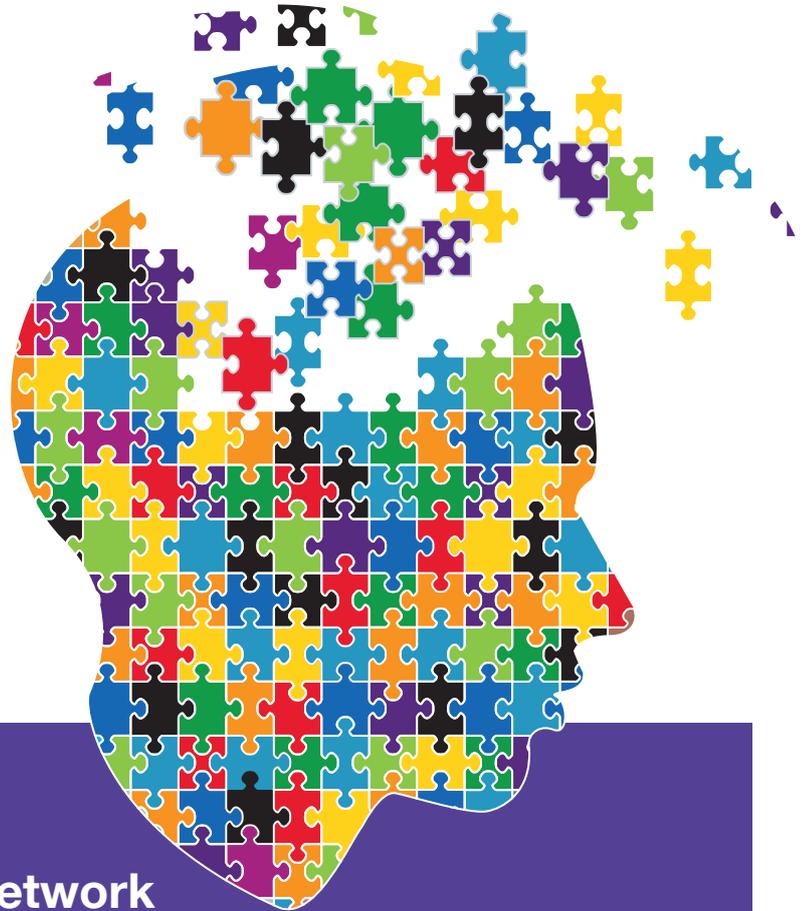


Clinical trials and stroke

Stroke
Association



Information from
Stroke Association and
NIHR Stroke Research Network

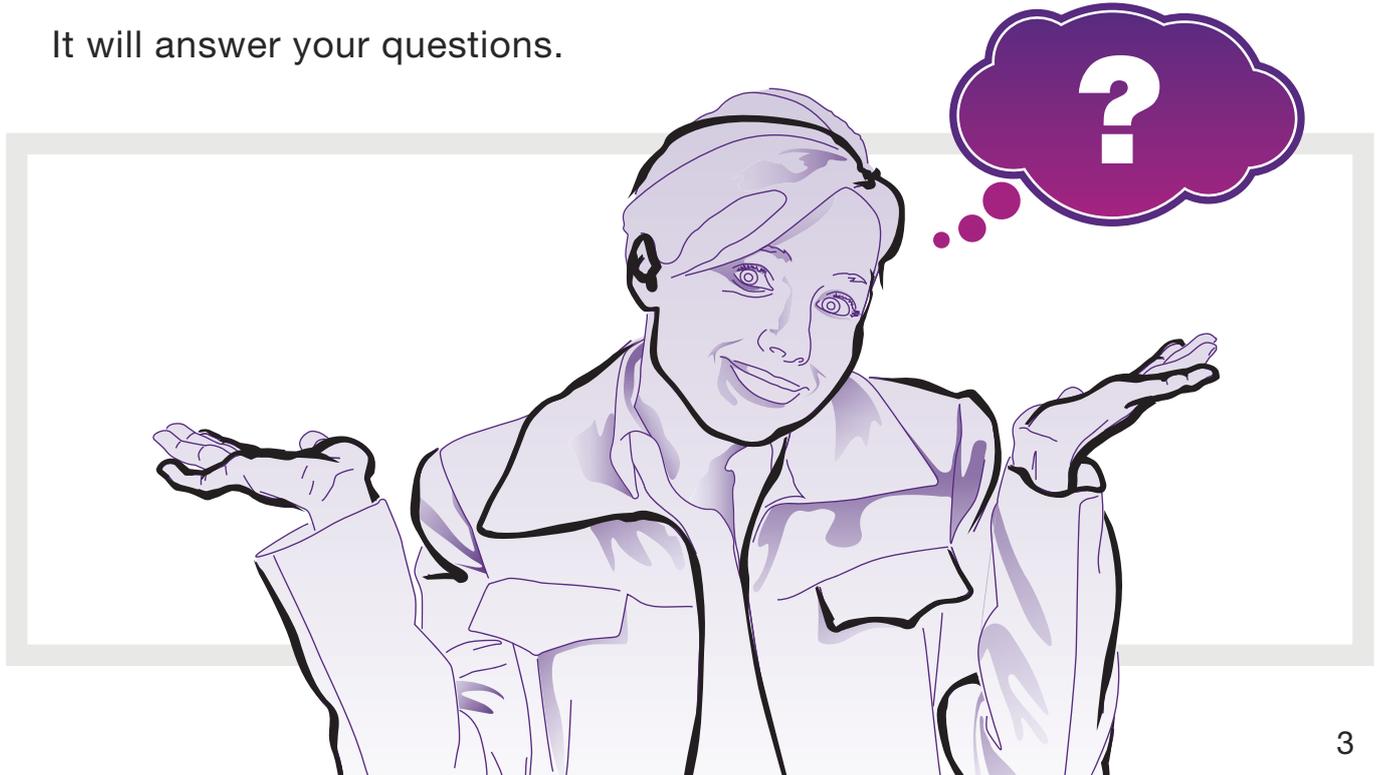
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introduction

This booklet is about taking part in clinical trials.

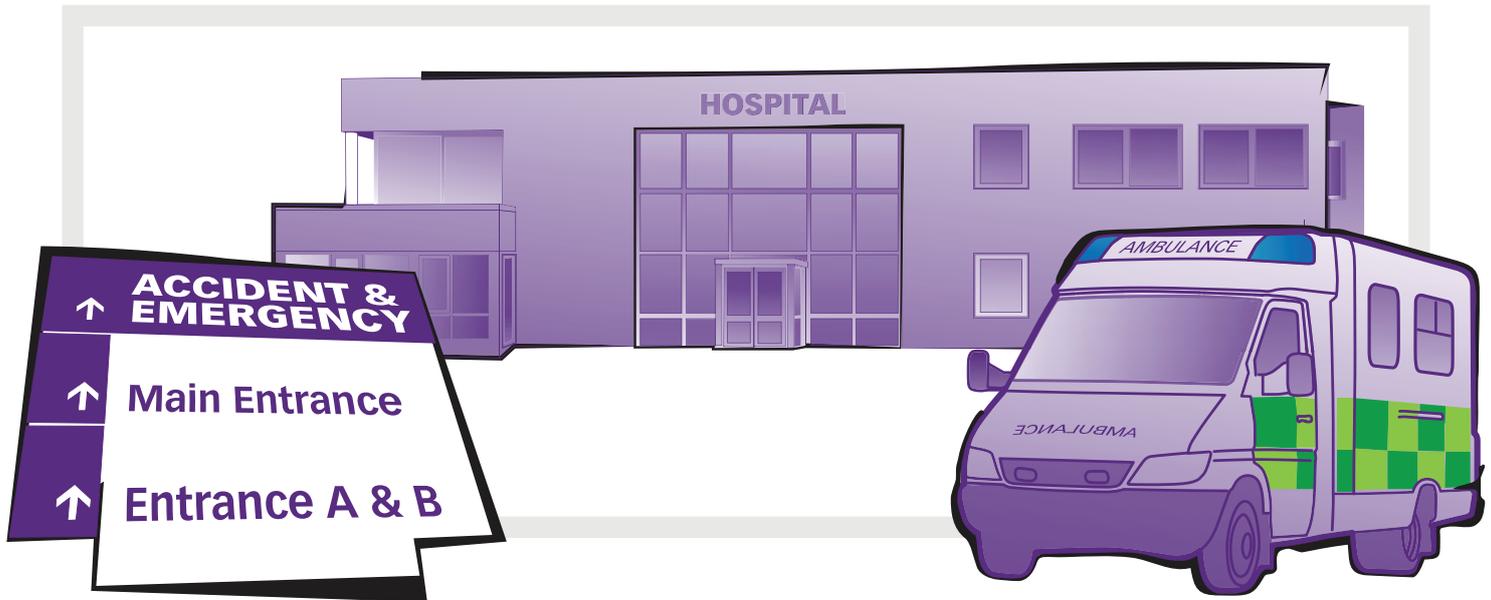
It will answer your questions.



introduction

Treatment.

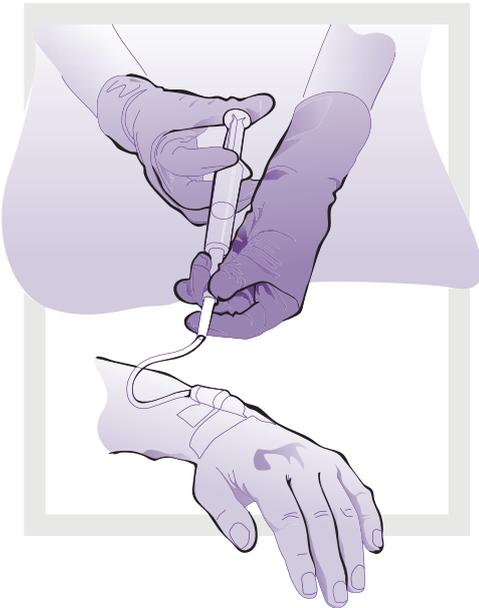
Stroke survivors will receive treatment **in hospital**.



introduction

Treatment.

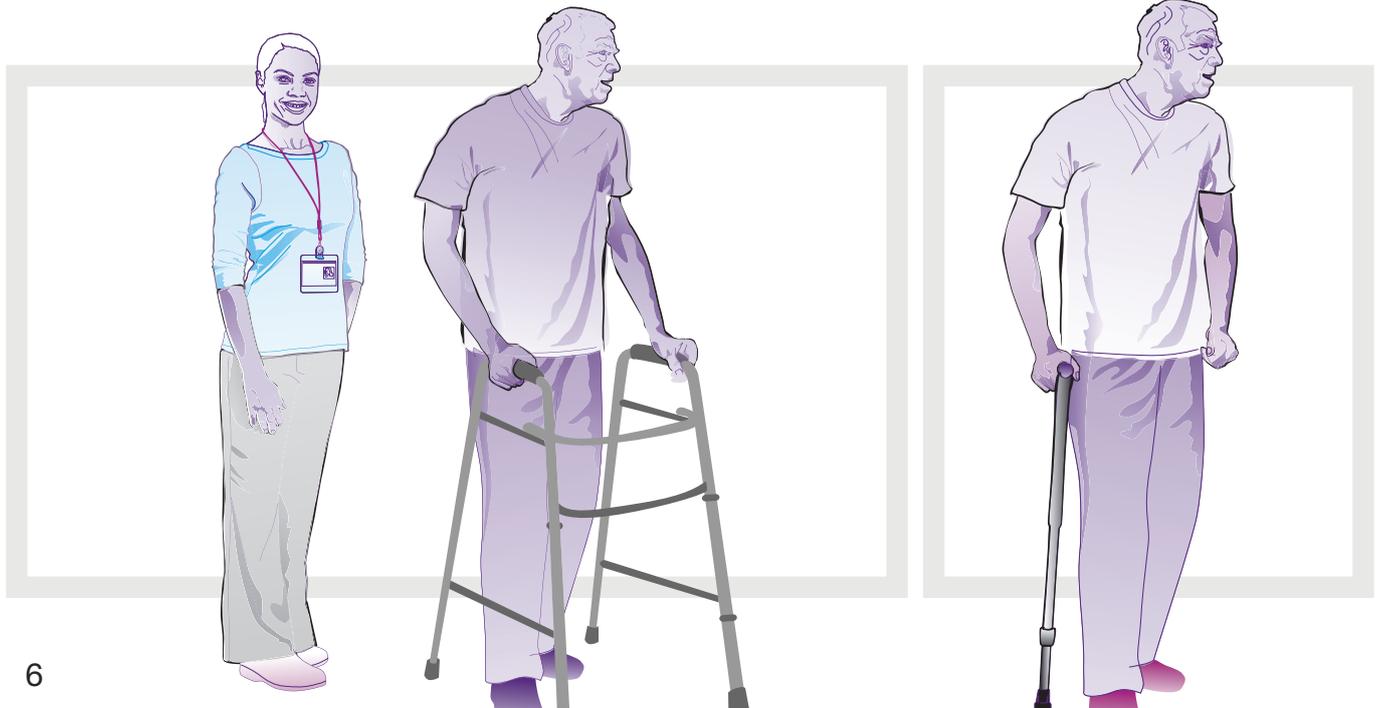
Medicine helps you **get better** from your stroke.



introduction

Treatment.

Therapy helps you **get better** after your stroke.



introduction

Medicine and therapies need to be tested.

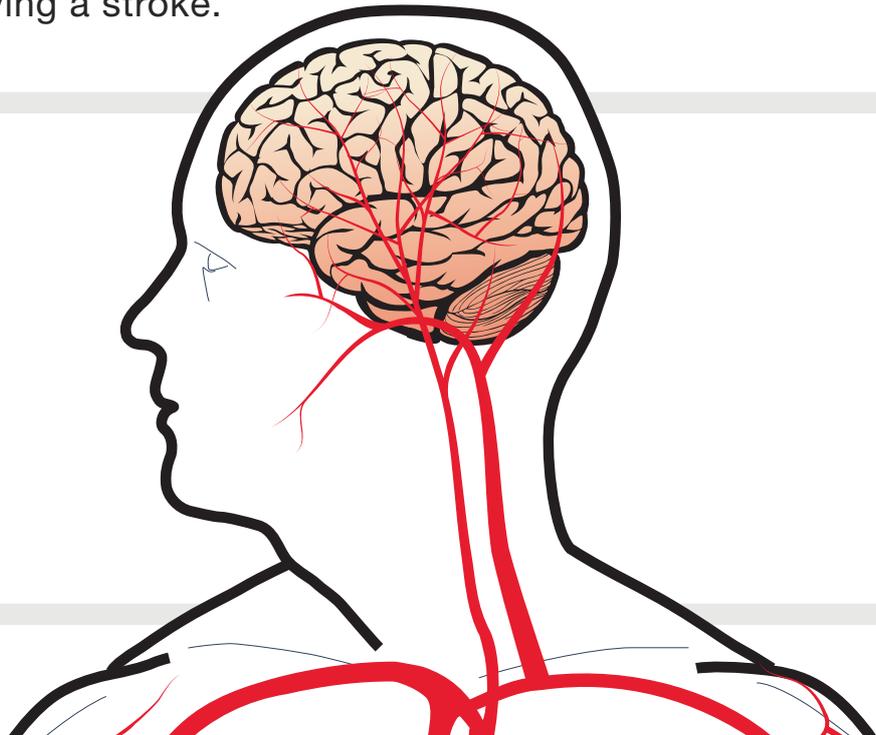
This is called a **clinical trial**.



clinical trials

Testing medicines and therapies.

May **stop others** having a stroke.



clinical trials

Testing medicines and therapies.

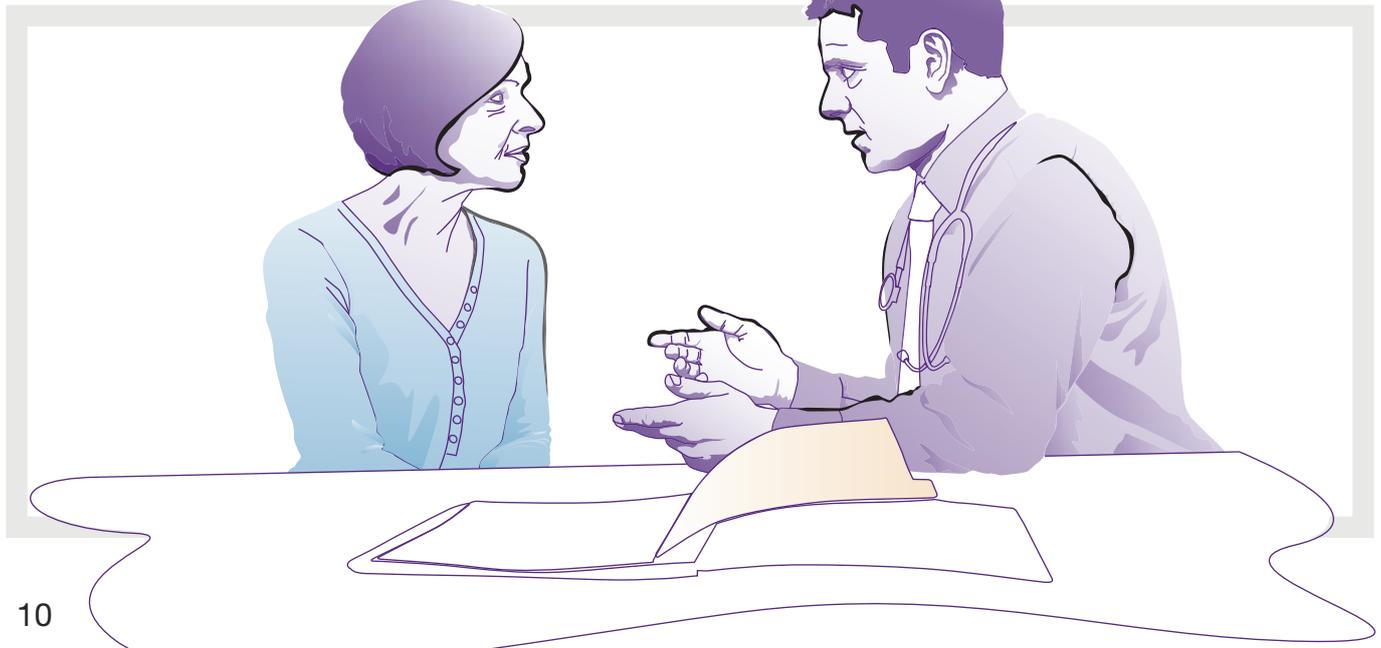
Helps others in the **future**.



clinical trials – risks

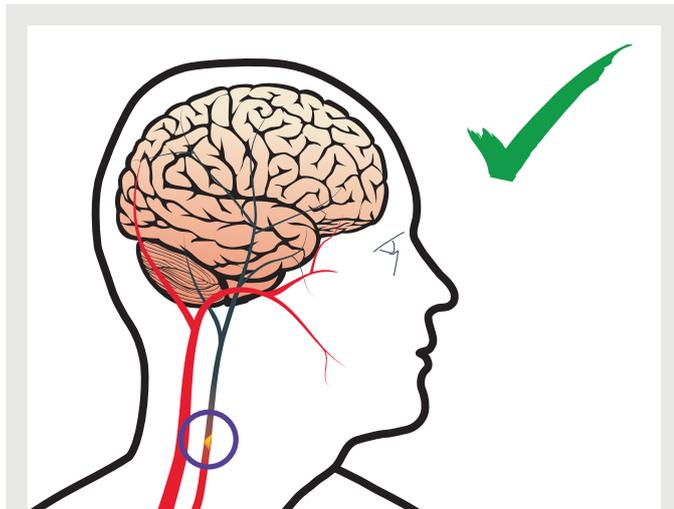
There may be risks.

The **Doctor** will tell you about them.

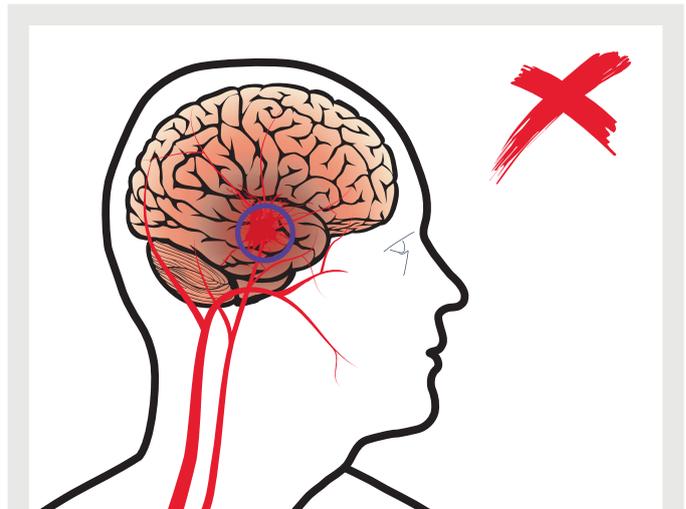


taking part

Not everyone can take part.



clot stroke



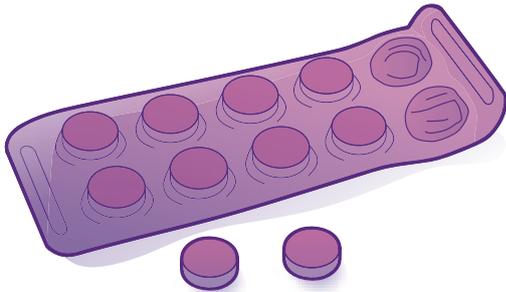
bleed stroke

taking part

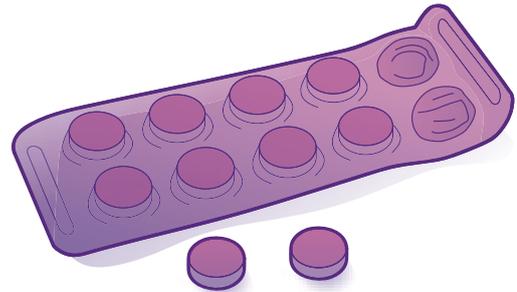
You may be given a **new medicine**.

You may be given a **'placebo'**.

Placebo has no effect.



new medicine

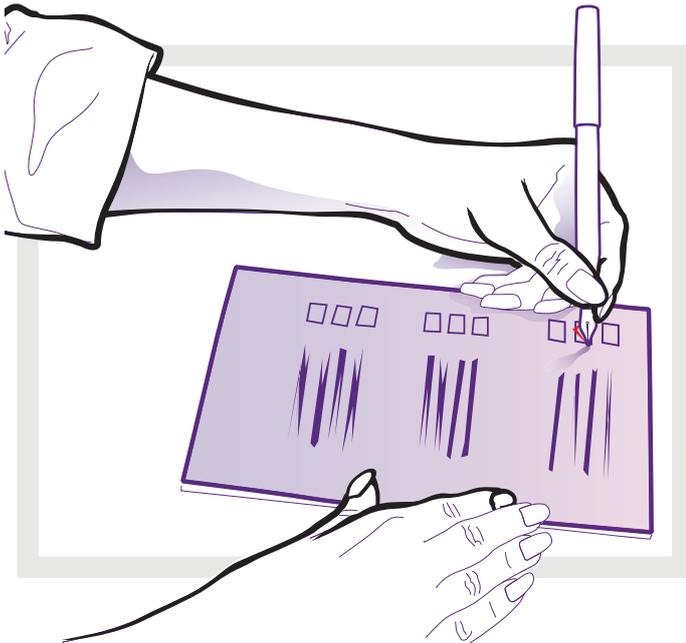


placebo

taking part

The trial may take a long time.

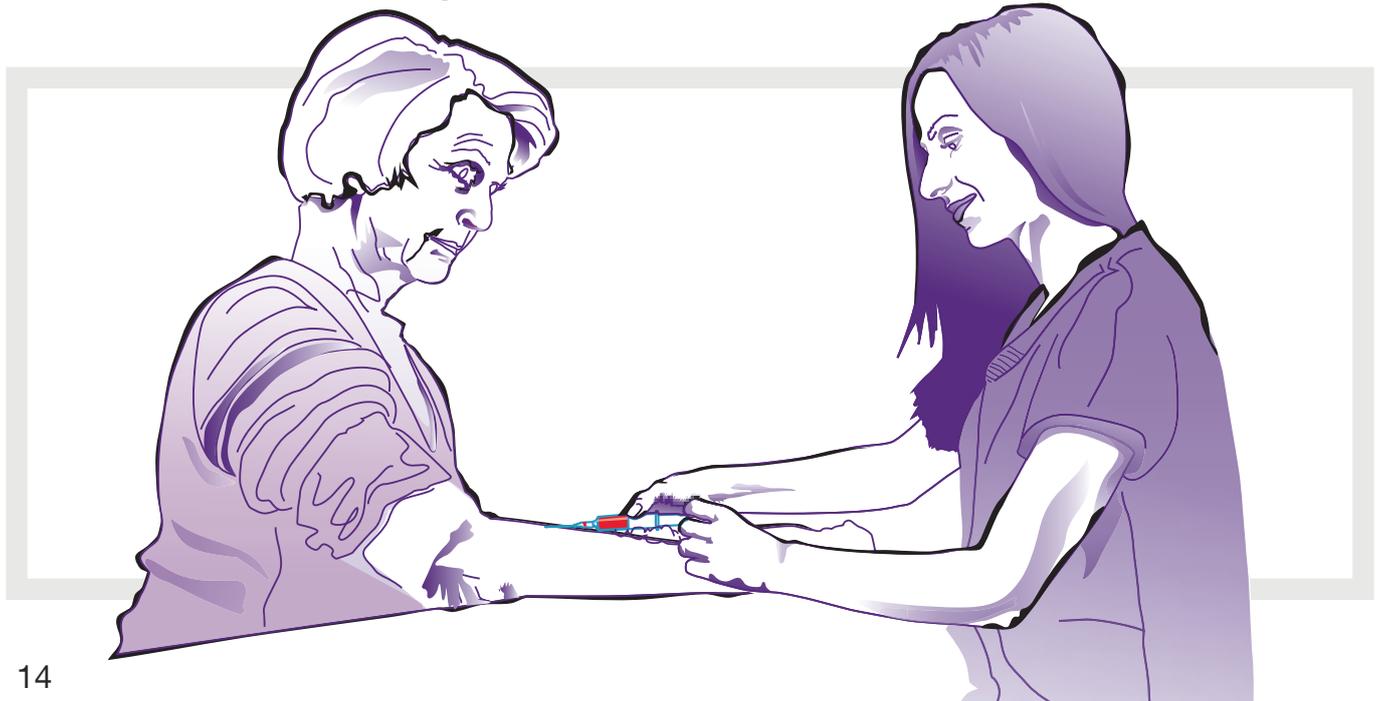
You may have to answer questions.



taking part

All stroke trials are different.

You may be asked to **give blood**.



taking part

All stroke trials are different.

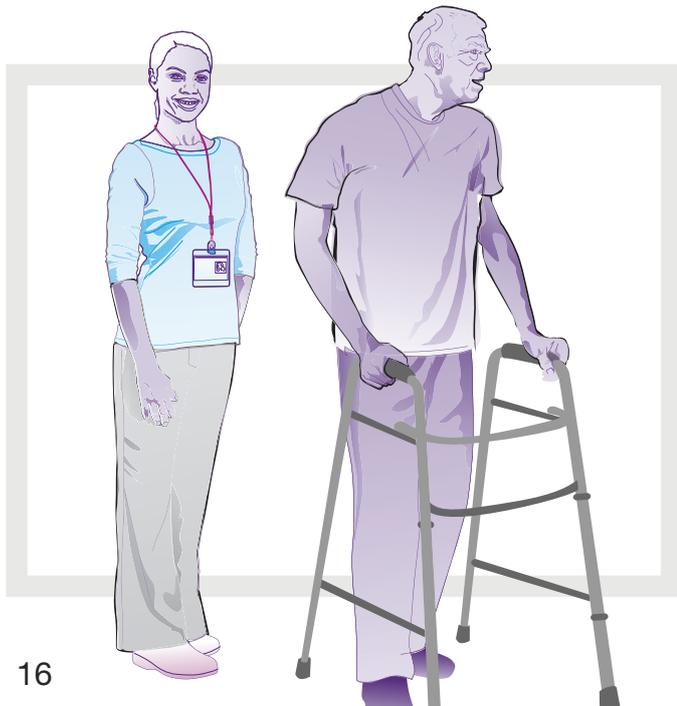
You may be asked to **take medicines**.



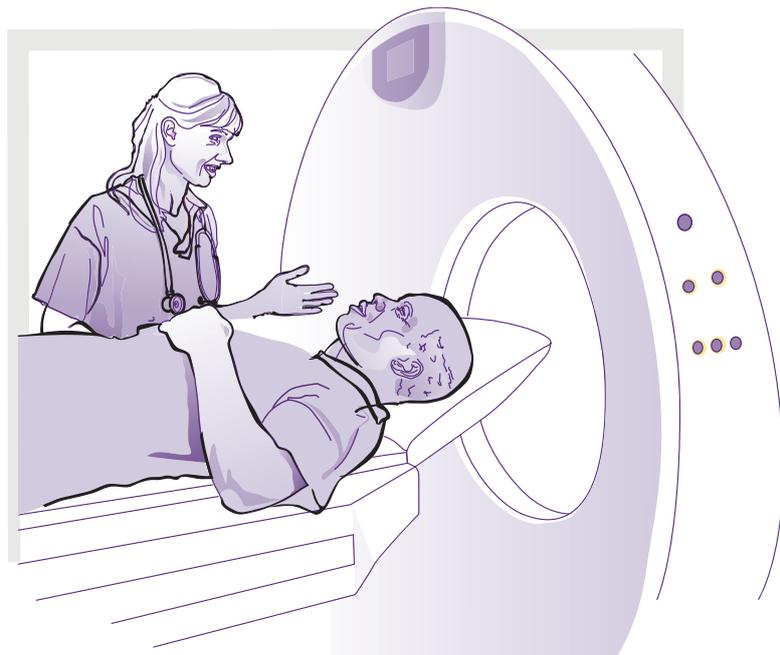
taking part

All stroke trials are different.

You **may** have **extra therapy**.



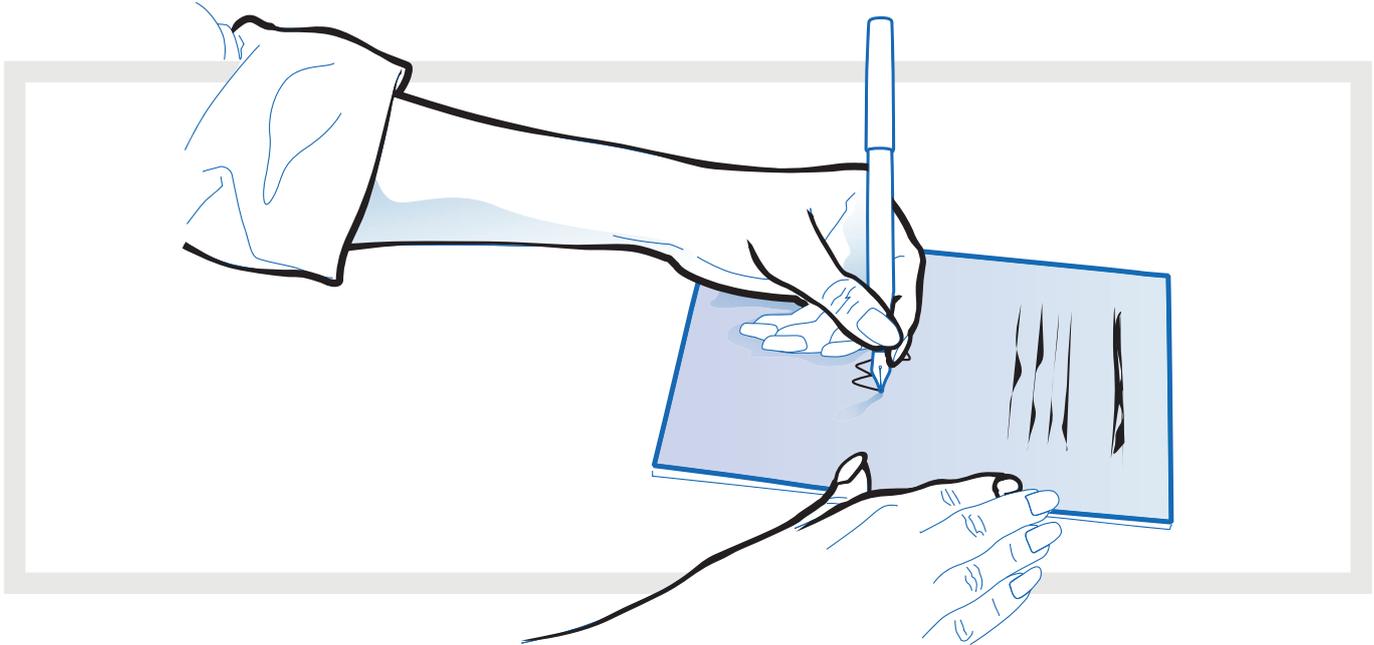
You **may** have **extra scans**.



consent

You will have to sign a consent form.

You agree to take part.



consent

You can stop at any time.

You do not need to say why.



consent

Your personal details will be safe.



people you may meet

Doctors



Nurses



Physiotherapists



Speech and
Language
Therapists



Occupational
Therapists



clinical trials - ethics

The trial follows a plan.

The plan is checked by the **ethics committee**.

The **ethics committee** make sure it is safe.



stroke association

Stroke Association is a UK wide charity.

Stroke Association funds research.
We rely on donations to do this.

Thank you to all the stroke survivors and carers
who took part in the development of this booklet.

www.stroke.org.uk



stroke research network

The Stroke Research Network is part of The National Institute for Health Research

We support stroke research in the NHS.

We have studies that cover a whole range of stroke research areas e.g. prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care.

We involve people who have had a stroke in our network.
We also involve carers in our network.

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