NSW category A and B Acute Stroke Units enrolled

Patient recruitment

Excluded
- Ineligible
- Refused to participate

In-patient TASC data collected

Patient 90-day data collected

Lost to follow-up

Randomisation
(by Acute Stroke Unit)

Allocated to intervention group
**Intervention protocol:**
(a) evidence-based FeSS clinical treatment protocols developed by a panel of clinical experts;
(b) unit-based education and support comprised of:
(i) two multidisciplinary workshops to identify local barriers and enablers;
(ii) a standardised education program;
(iii) engagement of local Stroke Unit co-ordinators through support and feedback.

Allocated to control group
**Control protocol:**
One copy of the fever, hyperglycaemia and swallowing dysfunction management sections of National Stroke Foundation’s *Clinical Guidelines for Acute Stroke Management* 2007 sent to Stroke Unit Medical Director.