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- **Every community needs to develop an action plan to ensure rapid access to emergency care for patients with acute coronary syndromes, including cardiac arrest.**
- **Implementing the community plan involves:**
 - **assessment by the relevant community partners and groups of the essential components in a number of settings, including at the community/regional level**
 - **development of implementation strategies.**



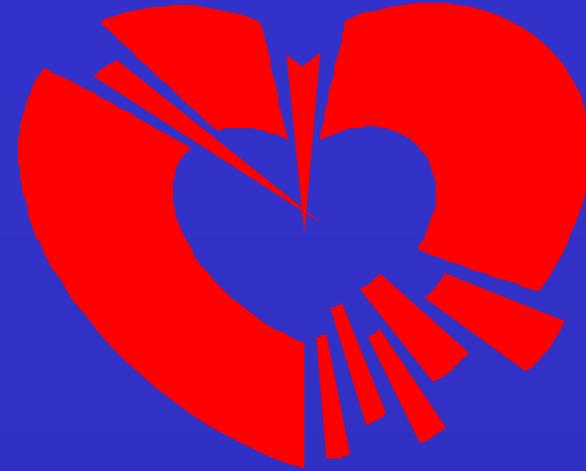
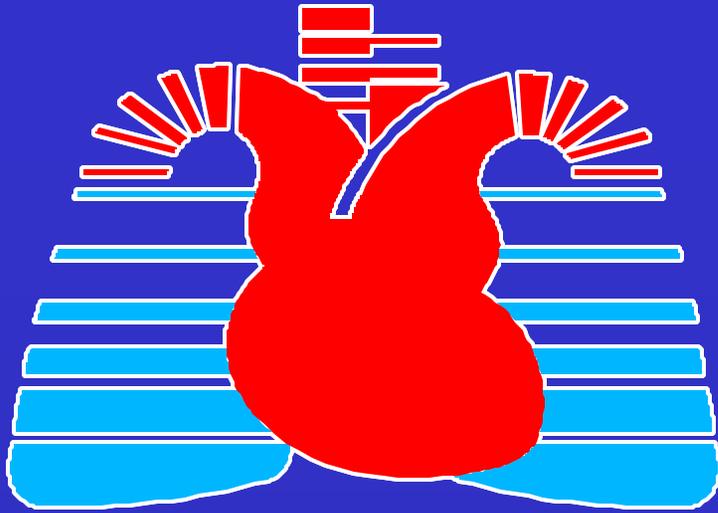
Conclusions (continued)

- The “system” must react quickly in an appropriate manner.
- Only through partnerships and leadership can the community truly become the *ultimate coronary care unit*.



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