

Swallowing Institute Case History

Name:		Date:					
Occupation:		Full-time or Part-time:					
Referring MD:							
ENT:			Neurologist:				
Primary Physician:		Gastroenterologist:			Pulmonologist:		
Medical History:							
Surgery History:							
Hospitalizations:							
Describe your speech, voice, or swallowing problem in one sentence or less:							
What is your goal of speech therapy?							
Have you had speech therapy before?		When?		Where?			
<i>Swallowing:</i>							
To what extent are the following scenarios problematic for you?		0 = No problem 5 = Severe Problem					
1. My swallowing problem has caused me to lose weight		0	1	2	3	4	5
2. My swallowing problem interferes with my ability to go out for meals		0	1	2	3	4	5
3. My swallowing problem interferes with my work or other activities		0	1	2	3	4	5
4. Swallowing liquids takes extra effort		0	1	2	3	4	5
5. Swallowing solids takes extra effort		0	1	2	3	4	5
6. Swallowing pills take extra effort		0	1	2	3	4	5

To what extent are the following scenarios problematic for you?	0 = No problem 5 = Severe Problem					
	0	1	2	3	4	5
7. I have altered my diet because of my swallowing problem	0	1	2	3	4	5
8. Swallowing is painful	0	1	2	3	4	5
9. The pleasure of eating is affected by my swallowing	0	1	2	3	4	5
10. When I swallow food sticks in my throat	0	1	2	3	4	5
11. When I swallow food sticks in my chest	0	1	2	3	4	5
12. I cough when I eat	0	1	2	3	4	5
13. I am afraid to eat because of my swallowing problem	0	1	2	3	4	5
14. My swallowing problem is a burden to my family	0	1	2	3	4	5
15. I get tired when I eat	0	1	2	3	4	5
16. I avoid eating in front of people	0	1	2	3	4	5
17. I am afraid of choking in my sleep	0	1	2	3	4	5
18. I become short of breath when I eat	0	1	2	3	4	5
19. People perceive me as sick because of my swallowing problems	0	1	2	3	4	5
20. Swallowing is stressful	0	1	2	3	4	5

1. Have you ever had pneumonia? When? _____
2. Do you eat regular food? _____ if not what diet? _____
3. When you eat or drink, do you have episodes of coughing? Yes No
4. When you eat or drink, do you have episodes of choking? Yes No
5. Do you wear dentures when you eat? Yes No
6. Does food or drink ever “go down the wrong way”? Yes No
7. Does your food generally require special preparation before you can eat it? Yes No
If so, please describe: _____
8. Do you avoid certain foods because they are difficult to swallow? Yes No
If so, please list examples: _____
9. Do you find food in your mouth after you swallow? Yes No
10. Do you have difficulty keeping food or drink in your mouth? Yes No
11. Do liquids ever come back through your nose when you swallow them? Yes No
12. Do you ever feel that food gets “stuck” in your throat? Yes No
If so, describe where it feels stuck: _____
13. Do you regularly wake up at night coughing? Yes No

14. Do you often wake up with a bad/sour taste in your mouth? Yes No
15. Is your swallowing problem intermittent / constant? (Check one)
16. Has your swallowing problem changed over time? Yes No
If so, please describe: _____
17. Are there any factors that make your swallowing problem worse? Yes No
If so, please describe: _____
18. Has your voice changed in the past year? Yes No
 hoarse quieter
 whispery/breathy other _____
19. Did the changes in your voice start gradually / suddenly ? (Check one)
20. What was the date of onset of your voice change? _____
21. Has your speech changed in the past year? Yes No
If so, check all that apply:
 slurring need to clear your throat more talking through your nose other _____
22. Did the changes in your speech start gradually / suddenly ? (Check one)
23. What was the date of onset of your speech change? _____
24. Have you had any previous swallowing or throat problems? Yes No
If so, please describe: _____