Supporting People With Chronic Dysphagia

INTRODUCTION

SLPs’ work with patients with complex medical conditions and their families, and the focus is often on the initial or acute stages of conditions that affect eating, drinking, and swallowing. This session addresses how SLPs can ensure best practice in the longer-term. The speaker addresses the importance of understanding how a patient’s dysphagia fits into the bigger medical and quality-of-life picture, backed by bioethical considerations and evidence. The session discusses how SLPs are not just one cog in a complex, interprofessional machine, but often the linchpin for optimal care of the patient and their family.

This course is a recorded session from the 2021 online conference “Maximizing Outcomes for Medically Complex Patients of All Ages.”

LEARNING OUTCOMES

You will be able to:
- apply the narrative framework to a case in chronic dysphagia management
- compare patient/family- and SLP-focused perspectives of chronic feeding/swallowing difficulties
- describe the priority(s) of at least one other professional with whom you work, regarding the chronic dysphagia of your shared patient

PROGRAM HISTORY and IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Recording length: 78 minutes
Online conference dates: March 17–29, 2021; August 4–16, 2021
End date: March 17, 2026

To earn continuing education credit, you must complete the learning assessment on or before March 17, 2026.

This course is offered for 0.1 ASHA CEUs (Intermediate level, Professional area).