Swallowing, Cognition, and Dignity: A Clinical Pathway for Dysphagia Management in Persons With Dementia

INTRODUCTION

This session identifies challenges associated with assessing patients with the dual diagnosis of dysphagia and dementia and describes how clinicians can be empowered to use a comprehensive, systematic clinical pathway to create an intervention plan that preserves safety, nutrition, hydration, and quality of life.

This course is a recorded session from the 2017 online conference “Dysphagia in Older Adults.”

LEARNING OUTCOMES

You will be able to:

- select and utilize assessment measures—and state the benefits of these measures—that consider stage of dementia, oral and pharyngeal phase swallowing, compensatory techniques, environmental modifications, ability to sustain nutrition and hydration needs, and quality of life
- select and utilize appropriate compensatory techniques and interventions based on dysphagia and dementia assessment results

PROGRAM HISTORY AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Recording length: 82 minutes
End date: May 7, 2025

To earn continuing education credit, you must complete the learning assessment on or before May 7, 2025.

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