Impact of Impaired Anatomy and Physiology on Treatment of Dysphagia in Adults

INTRODUCTION

This course examines the impacts of impaired anatomy and physiology on swallowing safety and efficiency in adults. The course is designed to aid clinicians in managing the evaluation and treatment of adults with oropharyngeal dysphagia. The speaker discusses the functions of specific structures, spaces, and muscles related to swallowing as well as the relationship between esophageal and oropharyngeal signs and symptoms.

The course features clearly labeled animations and videos of instrumental studies – e.g., videofluoroscopic swallowing studies (VFSS) and fiberoptic endoscopic evaluations of swallowing (FEES) – at different speeds to guide clinicians’ ability to interpret the imagery. The course also includes interactive “quizzes” throughout, which provide feedback on application of concepts.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

You will be able to:

- describe the impact of impaired anatomy and physiology of the oral, and pharyngeal structures on the safety and efficiency of swallowing in adults
- name major structures, spaces, and muscles and state their function in oral, pharyngeal, and esophageal swallowing
- discuss how abnormal anatomy and/or physiology relates to treatment goals

PROGRAM HISTORY and IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Original recording date: July 31, 2019
End date: July 31, 2024

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