



Course Title: Swallowing Disorders 106 - Dysphagia and Head/Neck Cancer

**Target Audience:** OT / OTA and other healthcare professionals

Course Type: Video vs. Text-based

Educational Level: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced

CE Hours: 2 contact hour / .2 ceu

Course Prerequisites: None

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### **Learning Objectives:**

- Define cancer and describe its potential impact on the individual patient
- Describe the various treatments for head/neck cancer and their side effects
- Describe factors that contribute to dysphagia in patients being treated for head/neck cancer
- Describe the dysphagia characteristics that might be associated with head/neck cancer treated with different modalities
- Elaborate on dysphagia-related complications seen in patients treated for head/neck cancer
- Discuss the when, what, and why aspects of dysphagia intervention for patients being treated for head/neck cancer.

#### Agenda:

#### Hour #1

Cancer as a Disease What is cancer? Diagnosis of cancer Treatments for Head and Neck Cancers Surgery Radiation therapy Chemotherapy Dysphagia in Patients with Head and Neck Cancer Dysphagia from surgical intervention Dysphagia from radiation therapy

#### <u>Hour #2</u>

Assessment Strategies for Dysphagia in Head and Neck Cancer

Timing of swallow evaluations Assessing impact factors Therapy Strategies for Dysphagia in Head and Neck Cancer Timing of swallowing therapy Therapy for bolus transport problems Therapy for airway protection problems Therapy for mucosal and muscle changes resulting from radiation therapy

## **Course Completion Requirements:**

A passing score of 100% is required for course completion. You will have as many attempts as needed until your passing score of 100% is achieved. Upon successful completion of course and completing a satisfaction survey, you will receive your certificate of completion.

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