

OUTPATIENT SWALLOWING CLINIC  
REFERRAL FORM

Patient Name:	PHN#:
DOB (dd/mm/year):	Contact Person:
Phone #:	Phone#:
Address:	Relationship:
	Interpreter Required? Y/N Language:

**REASON FOR REFERRAL:**

- High risk for imminent hospital admission due to swallowing dysfunction
  - Recurrent pneumonias \_\_\_\_\_
  - Hydration/nutrition concerns \_\_\_\_\_
- Sudden change to swallowing function. Describe: \_\_\_\_\_
- Supporting decision making on oral vs. non-oral nutrition \_\_\_\_\_
- Progressive worsening of swallowing function. Describe: \_\_\_\_\_
- Re-assessment for upgrade in diet. Date/location of last assessment: \_\_\_\_\_
- Longstanding swallowing difficulties not yet diagnosed. Describe: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**DIAGNOSES/RELEVANT MEDICAL HISTORY:**

- Degenerative Disease (e.g. Parkinson's, MS) \_\_\_\_\_
- Neurological disorder (e.g. stroke, brain injury, NYD) \_\_\_\_\_
- Respiratory Conditions (e.g. COPD) \_\_\_\_\_
- Post-Surgery (e.g. cardiac, cervical spine) \_\_\_\_\_
- Tracheostomy \_\_\_\_\_
- Head and neck cancer \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please read and sign the requested order:**  
**Swallowing assessment with Videofluoroscopy (VFSS) or Flexible Endoscopic Evaluation of Swallowing (FEES) to be completed per SLP recommendation based on clinical exam. Referring Physician: Please print or stamp the following:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Consider alternate investigations (e.g. ENT, GI) if patient has:**

- sensation of lump in the throat not associated with oral intake
- food feeling stuck at level of sternal notch or below
- GERD as an isolated condition

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**Accompanying Documents:**

**\*\*IMPORTANT: Referrals without the following documents may not be processed**

Specialist consultations (neurology, neurosurgery, spine, GI, ENT, physiatry, geriatrics, respirology etc.)

<p><b>Current diet:</b> _____</p>
<p><b>Tube feed:</b>    yes    no</p>
<p><b>Mobility:</b>    <input type="checkbox"/> Ambulatory (mobility aid if any: _____ )    <input type="checkbox"/> Wheelchair</p>

Please send referral form and accompanying documents to the following locations associated to patient community of care:

**Outpatient Swallowing Clinics (Urban)**

- North Shore**  
Lions Gate Outpatient Dysphagia Program  
PH: 604-984-5747  
Fax: 604-984-5744
  
- Richmond**  
Richmond Outpatient Swallowing Evaluation  
(ROSE) Clinic  
PH: 604-244-5174  
Fax: 778-504-9728
  
- Vancouver**  
UBCH Swallowing Clinic  
PH: 604-822-7192  
Fax: 604-822-7903

**Outpatient Services (rural communities)**

- Powell River**  
qathet General Hospital  
Fax: 604-485-3208
  
- Sechelt Hospital**  
Fax: 604-885-8635
  
- Squamish General Hospital**  
Fax: 604-892-6047
  
- \* **Bella Bella and Bella Coola please  
fax referral to Lions Gate**