

Portsmouth City Primary Care Trust - Speech & Language-Therapy Service
DYSPHAGIA INDUCTION FOR TRAINED NURSING STAFF

| Competence | Procedures | Evaluation |
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| 1. Knowledge of normal swallow mechanism | view video observe 3 normal swallows | Portfolio Participate in introductory session Question/answer in practical sessions |
| 2. Knowledge of changes in swallowing due to - age - acute neurological change - progressive neuro change - cognitive changes | Attend training session Shadow the assessment of 5 abnormal swallows Read articles on reference list | Portfolio Participate in training session question/answer in shadowing sessions |
| 3. The ability to obtain all the relevant case history details & knowledge of Trust policies | Observe 2 case histories being taken Be observed taking 2 case histories Read local control of infection guidelines Read Nutrition nurse info Read m-d stroke guidelines Read dept/GWM info | Portfolio Supervisor observation ?/answer in shadowing sessions |
| 4. Ability to perform bedside dysphagia assessment, achieve a meaningful result & formulate a hypothesis based on knowledge & interpretation of findings | Carry out 5 supervised assessments, from a range of aetiologies | Portfolio Question/answer in shadowing sessions Case presentations? |
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| <p>5. Ability to develop an action plan from the assessment results & hypothesis and communicate this to relevant others</p> | <p>Formulate plans for 5 cases, either observed or self assessed.</p> <p>Liaise with other members of the MD team.</p> <p>Write 3 care plans and documentation as required.</p> <p>Know procedure and reasons for referral to SLT.</p> <p>Know key strategies for management of dysphagia.</p> | <p>Portfolio</p> <p>Case presentation</p> <p>Question/answer in shadowing sessions.</p> <p>Witnessed care plans.</p> |
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