

## Patient Self-Assessment Dysphagia (Head and Neck) I

Please fill out the following questionnaire.

This questionnaire asks about your health and quality of life **over the past 7 days**. Please answer all of the questions by checking one box for each symptom.

**Please describe your symptom(s).** Select one box for each category.

**Pain**  I have no pain (100)  There is mild pain not needing medication (75)  I have moderate pain that requires regular medication (50)  I have severe pain controlled only by prescription medication (25)  I have severe pain, not controlled by medication (0)

**Appearance:**  There is no change in my appearance (100)  The change in my appearance is minor (75)  My appearance bothers me but I remain active (50)  I feel significantly disfigured and limit my activities due to my appearance (25)  I cannot be with people due to my appearance

**Activity:**  There is no change with my activity (100)  There are times when I can't keep up with my old pace, but not often (75)  I am often tired and have closed down my activities although I still get out (50)  I don't go out because I don't have the strength (25)  I am usually in bed or chair and don't leave home (0)

**Recreation**  There are no limitations to recreation at home or away from home (100)  There are a few things I can't do but I still get out and enjoy life (75)  There are many times when I wish I could get out more, but I'm not up to it (50)  There are severe limitations to what I can do, mostly I stay at home and watch TV (25)  I can't do anything enjoyable (0)

**Swallowing**  I can swallow as well as ever (100)  I cannot swallow certain foods (70)  I can only swallow liquid foods (30)  I cannot swallow because it "goes down the wrong way" and choked me (0)

**Chewing**  I can chew as well as ever (100)  I can eat solids but cannot chew some foods (50)  I cannot even chew soft foods (0)

**Speech**  My speech is the same as always (100)  I have difficulty saying some words but I can be understood over the phone (70)  Only my family and friends can understand me (30)  I cannot be understood (0)

### Shoulder

I have no problem with my shoulder (100)  My shoulder is stiff but it has not affected my activity or strength (70)  Pain or weakness in my shoulder has caused me to change my work/hobbies (30)  I cannot work or do my hobbies due to problems with my shoulder (0)

### Taste

I can taste food normally (100)  I can taste most foods normally (70)  I can taste some foods (30)  I cannot taste my foods (0)

### Saliva

My saliva is of normal consistency (100)  I have less saliva than normal, but it is enough (70)  I have too little saliva (30)  I have no saliva (0)

### Mood

My mood is excellent and unaffected by my cancer (100)  My mood is generally good and only occasionally affected by my cancer (75)  I am neither in a good mood nor depressed about my cancer (50)  I am somewhat depressed about my cancer (25)  I am extremely depressed about my cancer (0)

**Anxiety**

I am not anxious about my cancer (100)  I am a little anxious about my cancer (70)  I am anxious about my cancer (30)  I am very anxious about my cancer (0)

**Health-Related Quality of Life a Month Prior to Your Diagnosis of Cancer**

Much better (100)  somewhat better (75)  about the same (50)  somewhat worse (25)  Much worse (0)

**What issues have been most important to you during the past 7 days? Check up to 3 boxes.**

Pain  Appearance  Activity  Recreation  Swallowing  Chewing  Speech  Shoulder  
 Taste  Saliva  Mood  Anxiety

**Compared to the month before you developed cancer, how would you rate your health-related quality of life?**

Outstanding (100)  Very Good (80)  Good (60)  Fair (40)  Poor (20)  Very Poor (0)

**Health-Related Quality of life during the past 7 days**

Outstanding (100)  Very Good (80)  Good (60)  Fair (40)  Poor (20)  Very Poor (0)

**Overall Quality of life during the past 7 days**

Outstanding (100)  Very Good (80)  Good (60)  Fair (40)  Poor (20)  Very Poor (0)

## Patient Self-Assessment Dysphagia (Head and Neck) II

Please read each statement and circle the response which best reflects your experience this past week.

	1 = Strongly Agree	2 = Agree	3 = No Opinion	4 = Disagree	5 = Strongly Disagree
1. My swallowing ability limits my day-to-day activities.	1	2	3	4	5
2. I am embarrassed by my eating habits.	1	2	3	4	5
3. People have difficulty cooking for me.	1	2	3	4	5
4. Swallowing is more difficult at the end of the day.	1	2	3	4	5
5. I do not feel self-conscious when I eat.	1	2	3	4	5
6. I am upset by my swallowing problem.	1	2	3	4	5
7. Swallowing takes great effort.	1	2	3	4	5
8. I do not go out because of my swallowing problem.	1	2	3	4	5
9. My swallowing difficulty has caused me to lose income.	1	2	3	4	5
10. It takes me longer to eat because of my swallowing problem.	1	2	3	4	5
11. People ask me "Why can't you eat that?"	1	2	3	4	5
12. Other people are irritated by my eating problem.	1	2	3	4	5
13. I cough when I try to drink liquids.	1	2	3	4	5
14. My swallowing problems limit my social and personal life.	1	2	3	4	5
15. I feel free to go out to eat with my friends, neighbors, and relatives.	1	2	3	4	5
16. I limit my food intake because of my swallowing difficulty.	1	2	3	4	5
17. I cannot maintain my weight because of my swallowing problem.	1	2	3	4	5
18. I have low self-esteem because of my swallowing problem.	1	2	3	4	5
19. I feel that I am swallowing a huge amount of food.	1	2	3	4	5
20. I feel excluded because of my eating habits.	1	2	3	4	5

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