

Swallowing Therapy

The goals of swallowing therapy are to reduce food and or liquids from going down the air pipe, make it easier to eat and swallow, and help your child get the nutrition he/she needs to stay healthy. Sometimes young children have problems graduating from the bottle to foods, or the foods they eat are limited to only a few things. Our therapist can provide exercises, strategies, and techniques (such as Vital Stim™) to help improve the strength and efficiency of the swallow and/or overall intake.



Lessac Madsen Resonant Voice Treatment

Lessac Madsen Resonant Voice Treatment program is perfect for children with a hoarse vocal quality. It is a step-by-step program used to teach youngsters how to use their voice without having to strain.

Augmentative Communication

Augmentative Communication is an alternative way to help children with problems speaking. Devices such as computers or hand held devices can be ordered through your insurance company. Picture communication systems can also be made for those that can not operate a computer. The technology that is available today is truly amazing!

Specialized Pediatric Services

- ◆ Modified Barium Swallow
- ◆ Fiberendoscopic Evaluations of Swallow
- ◆ Videostroboscopic Evaluation of Voice
- ◆ Augmentative Communication
- ◆ Lessac Madsen Resonant Voice Treatment
- ◆ Swallowing Therapy
- ◆ And more



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Modified Barium Swallow

A modified barium swallow (MBS) is a special x-ray that allows the radiologist and the Speech Language Pathologist (SLP) to assess the mouth, throat, and upper esophageal while swallowing foods and fluids. If swallowing problems are identified, our therapist will meet with you and your child's physician to develop a plan of care.



Fiberendoscopic Evaluations of Swallow

A flexible endoscope is a cable with a camera attached. During the examination, the device is passed through one of the nasal passages to the back of the throat where the passage of food and fluid can be observed. If swallowing problems are identified, our therapist will meet with you and your child's physician to develop a plan of care.



Videostroboscopic Evaluation of Voice

Videostroboscopy is a state-of-the-art technique that provides a magnified, slow-motion view of the vocal cords in action. It enables the therapist to make an accurate diagnosis of conditions and diseases of the vocal cords, which can affect voicing. If voice problems are identified, our therapist will meet with you and your child's physician to develop a plan of care.

