

AERODIGESTIVE PROBLEMS: WHEN IT'S HARD TO SWALLOW AND TO BREATHE

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Aerodigestive problems have always existed, the most common include noisy breathing that worsens with feeds, choking with feeds, coughing with feeds, reflux, and chronic cough or wheezing from swallowing problems. Aerodigestive programs have been created nationwide to optimize the diagnosis and management of these problems as they include specialists in pulmonary problems, gastrointestinal problems, ear nose and throat problems, speech and language therapists, dieticians, and social workers. Together they help families navigate the troublesome journey that can be to have a child that is having a hard time breathing and swallowing.

Objectives

1. Review the basic mechanisms and causes of dysphagia in pediatric patients
2. Explain recommended treatment approaches for dysphagia in children
3. Recognize when feeding modifications may be indicated
4. Understand the utility of other therapies like surgeries and intensive therapy in pediatric patients with dysphagia
5. Review when patients would benefit from an Aerodigestive consultation

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Continuing Education: Approved for nurses and social workers

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