

Eating, drinking and swallowing resources

RCSLT resources

- [Addressing health inequalities: The role of the speech and language therapist](#)
- [Adult Speech and Language Therapy at Darent Valley Hospital – video](#)
- [Advancing practice](#)
- [Benefits of FEES \(National tracheostomy safety project\) – video](#)
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- [Dysphagia factsheet](#)
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- [Eating, Drinking and Swallowing Competency Framework 2020](#)
- [Eating, Drinking and Swallowing guidance and competency framework FAQ \(2025\)](#)
- [Eating, Drinking and Swallowing webinar \(2025\)](#)
- [Eating and drinking with acknowledged risks](#)
- [Edna's story: the impact of speech and language therapy – video](#)
- [End of Life care](#)
- [FEES position paper](#)
- [Giving Voice: Communication & Swallowing in the Hospital – video](#)
- [Guidance on the management of dysphagia in care homes](#)
- [Head and neck cancer](#)
- [Health inequalities self-audit tool](#)
- [Infant and paediatric feeding and swallowing factsheet](#)
- [Laryngectomy Competency Framework](#)
- [Learning Disabilities](#)
- [Long COVID](#)
- [Mental Health \(adults\)](#)
- [Motor Disorders](#)

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- [Paediatric dysphagia: workforce review and training needs analysis report](#)
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- [Neonatal competency framework](#)
- [Neonatal care](#)
- [Neonatal care: feeding and non-invasive respiratory support](#)
- [Outcome measurement](#)
- [Pre-registration eating, drinking, and swallowing competencies](#)
- [Prescribing now campaign](#)
- [Professional Development Framework](#)
- [Progressive Neurological Disorders](#)
- [RCSLT Position paper: Videofluoroscopic evaluation of oropharyngeal swallowing function \(VFS\) the role of SLTs](#)
- [Speech and language therapist eating, drinking and swallowing competency framework \(2025\)](#)
- [Stroke](#)
- [Swallowing awareness day](#)
- [Swallowing difficulties in head and neck cancer factsheet](#)
- [Template for case history, oro-facial and swallowing assessment](#)
- [Thickened fluids position paper](#)
- [Towards cultural competence in dysphagia practice \(webinar\)](#)
- [Tracheostomy competency framework](#)
- [Ultrasound position statement](#)
- [Upper airway disorders within adult respiratory services](#)
- [Videofluoroscopy Greater Glasgow and Clyde Competencies Adult Level 1](#)
- [Videofluoroscopy Greater Glasgow and Clyde Competencies Adult Level 2](#)
- [Videofluoroscopy Greater Glasgow and Clyde Competencies Adult Level 3](#)
- [Videofluoroscopy Greater Glasgow and Clyde Competencies Adult Level 4](#)
- [Videofluoroscopy Competencies Paediatric](#)

NICE guidelines

- [NICE Guideline \(2017\) Intermediate care including reablement \(NG74\)](#)
- [NICE Guideline \(2018\) on people's experience in adult social care services: improving the experience of care and support for people using adult social care services \(NG86\)](#)
- [NICE guideline CG 101: Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease in over 16s: diagnosis and management \(2010\)](#)
- [NICE guideline CG 106: Barrett's oesophagus: ablative therapy \(2010\)](#)
- [NICE guideline CG32: Nutrition support in adults: oral nutrition support, enteral tube feeding and parenteral nutrition \(2006\)](#)
- [NICE guideline NG71: Parkinson's disease in adults](#)
- [NICE guideline CG68 Stroke: Diagnosis and initial management of acute stroke and transient ischaemic attack \(TIA\) \(2008\)](#)
- [NICE guideline NG1: Gastro-oesophageal reflux disease in children and young people: diagnosis and management \(2015\)](#)
- [NICE guideline NG236 : Stroke rehabilitation in adults. \(2023\)](#)
- [NICE guideline NG72: Developmental follow-up of children and young people born preterm](#)
- [NICE impact people with a learning disability](#)
- [NICE Improving oral health for adults in care homes \(2018\).](#)
- [NICE Interventional procedures guidance \[IPG634\]: Transcutaneous neuromuscular electrical stimulation for oropharyngeal dysphagia in adults \(2018\)](#)
- [NICE Interventional procedures guidance \[IPG781\]: Pharyngeal Electrical Stimulation for Neurogenic Dysphagia \(2024\)](#)
- [NICE Medtech briefing on IQoro for stroke-related dysphagia \(MIB176\) \(2019\)](#)
- [NICE Oral health: local authorities and partners \(2014\)](#)
- [NICE \(2016\) Mental health problems in people with learning disabilities: prevention, assessment and management \[NG54\]](#)

Other guidelines

- [All Our Health: personalised care and population health](#)
- [BAHNO multidisciplinary guidelines for Head & Neck cancer](#)
- [Bliss baby charter](#)
- [British Association of Perinatal Medicine Framework for Practice 2024](#)
- [British Dietetic Association – Nutrition and hydration in mental health and learning disability inpatient settings](#)
- [British Geriatrics Society Best Practice Guide – Dysphagia Management for Older People Towards the End of Life \(2012\)](#)
- [British thoracic society: Clinical statement for the diagnosis and management of community acquired pneumonia in people with learning disability \(2023\)](#)
- [British thoracic society: Clinical statement on aspiration pneumonia \(2023\)](#)
- [Health care professions council: Standards of proficiency 2023](#)
- [Implementing the recommendations of the Neonatal Critical Care Transformation Review 2019](#)
- [International Sialorrhoea Steering Group](#)
- [Intensive care society: Guidelines for the provision of intensive care services 2022](#)
- [My role in tackling health inequalities: a framework for allied health professionals](#)
- [National Clinical Guidelines for Stroke 2023](#)
- [Public health England \(2016\) Dysphagia in people with learning difficulties: reasonable adjustments guidance](#)
- [Royal college of physicians: Supporting people who have eating and drinking difficulties 2021](#)
- [NHS England: Stopping over medication of people with a learning disability and autistic people \(STOMP\) and supporting treatment and appropriate medication in pediatrics \(STAMP\)](#)

Policy – England

Here you will find links to relevant national legislation, policy and frameworks. Please note that this list is not exhaustive. Please contact us if you have any suggestions.

- [Accessible communication formats](#)
- [AHP Strategy for England: AHPs deliver 2022-2027](#)
- [Mental Capacity Act \(2005\) – Code of practice](#)
- [The Mid Staffordshire NHS foundation trust public inquiry \(2013\)](#)
- [Mental Capacity Act \(2005\)](#)
- [The National confidential enquiry into patient outcome and death \(NCEPOD\): Dysphagia in Parkinson's disease, hard to swallow](#)
- [Winterbourne View Hospital: Department of Health review and response](#)
- [LeDeR Action from Learning report 2020/21](#)

Policy – Wales

Here you will find links to relevant national legislation, policy and frameworks. Please note that this list is not exhaustive. Please contact us if you have any suggestions.

- [A Healthier Wales](#)
- [Age friendly Wales: Our strategy for an ageing society](#)
- [Allied Health Professions Framework for Wales: Looking forward together](#)
- [All Wales Standards for Accessible Communication and Information for People with Sensory Loss](#)
- [Continuing NHS Health Care](#)
- [Duty of Quality Statutory Guidance](#)
- [National Clinical Framework 8.0](#)
- [Older people and people living with frailty: integrated quality statement](#)
- [Quality and Safety Framework: Learning and Improving](#)
- [Quality statement for palliative and end of life care for Wales](#)
- [Regulations and National Minimum Standards : Adults and children's services](#)
- [Six Goals for Urgent and Emergency Care – A policy handbook 2021-2026](#)
- [The quality statement for cancer](#)
- [An update on the action taken in Wales following the BBC Panorama Programme on abuse at Winterbourne View Hospital near Bristol.](#)

Policy – Scotland

Here you will find links to relevant national legislation, policy and frameworks. Please note that this list is not exhaustive. Please contact us if you have any suggestions.

- [2021-26 NHS Scotland Recovery Plan](#)
- [2023-26 NES Education for Scotland Strategy](#)
- [Leading quality health and care for Scotland: Our Strategy 2023–28](#)
- [NHS Scotland Climate Emergency and Sustainability Strategy 2022 – 2026](#)
- [Oral Health Improvement | Scottish Dental](#)
- [Principles of Inclusive Communication: An information and self-assessment tool for public authorities](#)
- [Scotland Mental Health Strategy 2017-27](#)
- [Scottish allied health professions public health strategic framework implementation plan: 2022 to 2027](#)
- [Scottish Intercollegiate Guidelines Network \(SIGN\) Guideline 118 – Management of patients with stroke: Rehabilitation, prevention and management of complications, and discharge planning. \(2010\)](#)
- [Scottish Intercollegiate Guidelines Network \(SIGN\) Guideline 119 – Management of patients with stroke – Identification and management of dysphagia. \(2010\)](#)
- [Scottish Quality Performance Indicators – Head & Neck cancer](#)
- [Supporting people with eating, drinking and swallowing difficulties \(dysphagia\)](#)
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- [Caring for Smiles](#)
- [Care inspectorate \(2022\) Safe swallowing practice note](#)
- [Care inspectorate \(2020\) Supporting people with eating, drinking and swallowing difficulties \(dysphagia\) guidance](#)
- [Speech and language therapy adult services NHS Lanarkshire \(2022\) Swallowing matters.](#)
- [Care inspectorate. Eating and drinking well in care: good practice guide for older people](#)

Policy – Northern Ireland

Here you will find links to relevant national legislation, policy and frameworks. Please note that this list is not exhaustive. Please contact us if you have any suggestions.

- **Mental Capacity Act (Northern Ireland) (2016)**
- **Public Health Agency. Dysphagia- Health Care Professionals**

eLearning

- [NHS England Dysphagia guide](#)
- [Small wonders: Helping parents get their neonatal journey off to the best possible start](#)
- [Introduction to allied health professionals in neonatal care](#)
- [Mini mouthcare matters](#)
- [Mouthcare matters](#)
- [Pre-registration eating, drinking and swallowing](#)
- [NHS England Dementia Tiered training](#)
- [NHS England: Stroke training and awareness resources](#)
- [Scottish social services council. Speech and language in care settings: supporting eating and drinking](#)

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