

# Implementing practice placements with EDS difficulties

Practice placements and the RCSLT pre-registration eating, drinking and swallowing competencies webinar series

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## Introduction

- From writing to implementation
- Looking at the 'how to' of the competencies
- This week rationale and Hours
- Next week -Signing off competencies/endpoint assessment



## Presenters





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### Followed established RCSLT project processes:

- Recruited working group to write the competency framework, October/November 2020
- Consulted with all members, January 2021
- Published competency framework, February 2021

## Implementation of competency framework:

 Ongoing conversations with members generating additional support materials

# Working group





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## What is an hour





## Rationale for need

Aligning the competency framework with RCSLT Curriculum Guidance



Curriculum guidance for the pre-registration education of speech and language therapists







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# Clinical-managerial perspective

- Student support and expansion responsibility
- Covid-19 challenges
- Credit students' EDS knowledge, competency and exposure
- Incorporate highly specialist clinicians
- Support in services where dysphagia is not a focus



# Clinical-managerial perspective

- EDS is a reality of many workplaces
- Allows a bespoke, individualised and service led approach to development post qualification
- Aligns with a more linear rather than stepped approach throughout the SLT workforce







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## Case study / example

- Dysphagia input should include consideration of holistic approaches – quality of life around mealtimes including patient, staff, and others
- Mental illness and mealtimes anxiety, fixed ideas, tolerance of others
- Risk of choking multiple influencing factors, understanding context
- Level of insight, fluctuating capacity
- Understanding cultural diversity what is "normal"?
- Secure settings institutionalised routines, staff awareness, familiarity
- Personal safety adapting SLT approaches





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## What Next?

- Logging hours tool
- Face to face competencies vs other modalities
- New Role



# Any questions











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