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## PURPOSE

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This program provides an opportunity to develop an understanding of the FEES procedure and to gain experience interpreting FEES for the evaluation and management of oropharyngeal dysphagia. It is primarily aimed at experienced clinicians who evaluate and treat patients with dysphagia using fluoroscopy, but have limited or no experience with FEES. However, clinicians who are new to dysphagia and clinicians with a moderate degree of experience with FEES may also find the course useful.

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## COURSE OBJECTIVES

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The participant will attain a basic level of competence in performing the protocol, interpreting the results of FEES examinations and using endoscopy to guide therapy for patients with dysphagia. With a guarantee of passing the endoscope at least 5 times under the mentorship of a number of experienced mentors, s/he will become familiar with handling the endoscope, passing it into the hypopharynx, and manipulating the scope within and around the larynx to attain an optimal view. Those who are already performing FEES will advance their level of competence in scoring results and applying FEES to various patient populations.

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## LEARNER OUTCOMES

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On conclusion of the program, participants will be able to:

- ❖ Summarize what can be visualized and understood when using FEES.
- ❖ Identify normal and abnormal swallowing from endoscopic images.
- ❖ Describe clinical indications and risks for performing FEES.
- ❖ Follow a protocol for administering a FEES exam.
- ❖ Identify key structures, identify and interpret findings, and apply appropriate therapeutic interventions during the performance of a FEES examination.
- ❖ Integrate the FEES protocol into various clinical settings and with different patient populations.
- ❖ Describe how to use endoscopy to manage patients with dysphagia.
- ❖ Summarize how to implement FEES into their employment setting.
- ❖ Demonstrate introductory level ability passing an endoscope safely & with proper positioning to obtain an ideal view during the FEES exam.

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## AGENDA

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### **Saturday July 18, 2020 (9:00am – 5:45pm)**

9:00-10:00 Anatomy and the normal swallow: endoscopic and fluoroscopic visualization.

10:00-10:30 Indications for FEES vs. Fluoro

10:30-10:45 *Break*

10:45-12:15 The FEES Protocols: Standard protocol, Ice Chip protocol, FEESST protocol.

12:15-1:15 *Lunch*

1:15-2:15 Scoring the FEES exam Part 1: Identification of abnormal findings.

2:15-3:15 Scoring the FEES exam Part 2: Scoring systems, sample reports, and practice scoring.

3:15-3:30 *Break*

3:30-4:15 Scoring the FEES exam Part 2 (continued)

4:15-5:45 Treatment strategies: Using FEES to Guide Treatment

### **Sunday July 19, 2020 (8:00am – 5:00pm)**

8:00-12:15 Hands-on practice passing the endoscope on other participants

12:15-1:15 *Lunch*

1:15-2:45 Implementing FEES in your setting: training issues, billing; risk/safety issues

3:45-3:00 *Break*

3:00-4:30 FEES in ICU, inpatient, outpatient settings; scoring practice and case studies

4:30-5:00 Discussion: Wrap-up

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## COURSE INSTRUCTORS

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### Patricia Cavanagh, MS, CCC-SLP, BCS-S

*Bio:* Trish has over 25 years of clinical experience as an SLP in the acute care and rehabilitation settings. She is Chief of the Speech Pathology Section at the San Francisco VA Medical Center and an adjunct professor at San Francisco State University where she teaches the graduate dysphagia course. At the San Francisco VA she specializes in dysphagia of all etiologies with a special focus on head and neck cancer patients.

*Disclosure:* Trish receives compensation from Langmore FEES, LLC for teaching this course. She has no other financial or non-financial relationships to disclose.

### Ann Kearney, CScD, CCC-SLP, BCS-S

*Bio:* Ann has over 25 years of clinical experience and works in the department of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery at Stanford Medicine. Her interests include post laryngectomy rehabilitation, dysphagia after head and neck cancer, professional voice therapy, PVFM disorder, and chronic cough. She has presented at numerous national meetings, has been on the faculty for the IAL/Voice Institute, and is trained in Buteyko Breathing (level 1) and Myofascial Release.

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## COURSE INFORMATION

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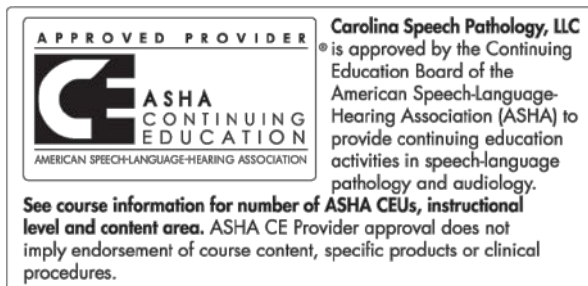
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This program offers 1.5 CEUs (Intermediate level, Professional area).



## Foundation (Intro) FEES Course

### July 18-19, 2020



In order to perform the FEES procedure, proper training from experienced clinicians is needed. The *Langmore FEES Course* is an unparalleled introductory course taught by the creator of the FEES procedure and her team of expert clinicians. This course is aimed at clinicians who have little or no experience with FEES, and who want to incorporate this tool into their practice.

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