

## **Speech for Life**

Social inclusion Partnership Education Empowerment Connection Honesty

## Eating Assessment Tool (EAT-10)

## How to complete this Questionnaire:

- · This questionnaire helps to measure swallowing difficulties.
- These are statements many people have used to describe difficulty swallowing / eating
- To what extent do you experience the following problems?
- · Circle the most appropriate response for each statement.
- 0 4 Rating Scale
- 0 = No problem
- I = Mild Problem
- 2 = Mild to moderate
- 3 = Moderate problem
- 4 = Severe problem

Situation			Severity of Problem					
My swallowing problem has caused me to lose weight.	0		ı	2	3	4		
My swallowing problems interferes with my ability to go out for meals.	0		ı	2	3	4		
Swallowing liquids takes extra effort	0		ı	2	3	4		
Swallowing solids takes extra effort.	0		1	2	3	4		
Swallowing pills takes extra effort.	0		ı	2	3	4		
Swallowing is painful	0		1	2	3	4		
The pleasure of eating is affected by my swallowing.	0		ı	2	3	4		
When I swallow food sticks in my throat.	0	1	Ţ	2	3	4		
I cough when I eat.	0		1	2	3	4		
Swallowing is stressful	0		1	2	3	4		
TOTAL 10 x 4 = 40 max		_			1	-		

The validity and reliability of EAT-10 has been determined. If the EAT-10 score is 3 or higher, you may have problems swallowing efficiently and safely.

Belafsky, P. C., et al. (2008). "Validity and reliability of the Eating Assessment Tool (EAT10)." Ann Otol Rhinol Laryngol 117(12): 919-924.