Beyond the Scope: A Self-Study FEES Interpretation Practice

**Purpose:** The purpose of this self-study course is to provide the participant with opportunities to view FEES exams that were completed on patients in rehabilitation settings and practice interpretation and report writing. There is one introductory video reviewing anatomy as it is viewed through the endoscope and one introductory video demonstrating a normal swallow, then 9 patient videos ranging in oropharyngeal dysphagia severity. The participant will watch each patient video, make their interpretation, write a summary, then compare/contrast their interpretation to the example provided. This is a self-guided course, so your responses are only seen by you. There will be the option to view a “hint” to help the participant become proficient in identifying abnormalities on FEES by giving clues of when/where to look at specific areas. As with anything there will be differing opinions, however, this exercise will familiarize the clinician with FEES interpretation.

**Prerequisites:** Prior to completing this course, the clinician should be proficient in adult normal swallowing and adult dysphagia and have taken a FEES training course or equivalent FEES training with a mentor. See ASHA's guidelines for Knowledge and Skills Required for FEES here ([http://www.asha.org/policy/KS2002-00069/](http://www.asha.org/policy/KS2002-00069/)).

**About the Instructor:** Selena Reece, MS, CCC-SLP, BCS-S developed this course with the assistance of several FEES-experienced clinicians employed by Carolina Speech Pathology (Kristin Kopp, MS, CCC-SLP, Holly Garrett, MS, CCC-SLP, Ashley Froehlich, MS, CCC-SLP, and Rachel Walt, MS, CCC-SLP). Selena Reece serves as the Director of Educational Resources with CSP where she also carries an active caseload providing mobile FEES services. Selena has performed over 5,000 FEES since 2003 in the acute care, rehabilitation, and long-term care settings.

**Cost:** $275 for access to course and to receive ASHA CEUs  
Group Rates are only available for groups of more than 10  
Contact education@carolinafees.com to inquire about group rates.

Participants must submit the post-test and ASHA participation form within 6 months in order to obtain ASHA CEUs.

This course is offered for 0.7 ASHA CEUs (7 hours), Intermediate Level, Professional Area

**Registration:** [www.carolinafees.com](http://www.carolinafees.com)

**Learning Objectives:**
- Identify anatomical markers as they are seen endoscopically
- Observe swallowing with multiple boluses to identify any impairments in swallow function
- Articulate swallowing deficits in writing
- Demonstrate high inter-rater reliability when comparing participant’s results with instructor’s results

**Agenda:**
Read Instructions  
Watch the Introductory Videos  
View each patient video, fill in the grid, and complete a written summary  
Compare your grid and summary to the example provided

**Instructor Disclosure:** Selena Reece, MS, CCC-SLP, BCS-S and contributing SLP clinicians are salaried employees of Carolina Speech Pathology, LLC. There are no non-financial relationships to disclose.