

Critical Review:
Who Has a Role in Swallowing?

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Speech and Language Pathologists (SLPs) are trained in, and provide clinical services for, both the assessment and management of swallowing disorders. The current review compares results of dysphagia screening in bet5TS4q0 0 41 0 5Jo2 () -33S (s) -Ho(e) -2 (P) -1 (s)(/F1a) -2 r()73Q q 1 (t

statistics to support the "agree" (94% of) as
outcomes are not explained whatsoever Another
strength of this study was its high number of

system, specifically citing

consisting of the professionals reviewed in this critical review would bring valuable expertise and perspective to the patients. Because of the standardized training and requirements of the SLP anatomy and physiology of swallowing and dysphagia this author believes that the dysphagia management should be led by the SLP, and the SLP must be sure to adequately train the team with screening tools that are researched, evaluated, and have gone through rigorous statistical analysis.

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