



Pediatric and Adult Speech / Swallowing and Feeding Disorders & Pediatric Occupational Therapy  
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### ADULT BACKGROUND HISTORY QUESTIONNAIRE

Intake Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Full name of client: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: male/female/other

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred contact (name/number): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all immediate family members: Spouse/Partner: \_\_\_\_\_

Children & Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Siblings & Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Other pertinent Family: \_\_\_\_\_

Person providing intake: \_\_\_\_\_

Who referred client: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary care provider: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like GSST to share the results of the evaluation with your primary care provider/referring physician: YES NO

Highest Level of Education: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation(s), # of years, when retired: \_\_\_\_\_

#### History

Medical History (please check all that apply)

\_\_\_ Heart attack

\_\_\_ Cardiac

\_\_\_ Hypertension

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes                | <input type="checkbox"/> Bronchitis            | <input type="checkbox"/> facial nerve palsy         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke                  | <input type="checkbox"/> COPD                  | <input type="checkbox"/> emotional/psychological    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic laryngitis      | <input type="checkbox"/> Sinusitis             | <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple sclerosis         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Acid Reflux             | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuberculosis          | <input type="checkbox"/> Huntington's Disease       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ear Infections          | <input type="checkbox"/> Pneumonia             | <input type="checkbox"/> Parkinson's Disease        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meningitis              | <input type="checkbox"/> Asthma                | <input type="checkbox"/> Voice issues/changes       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seizures                | <input type="checkbox"/> Thyroid issues        | <input type="checkbox"/> vocal polyps/nodules       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Head Injury             | <input type="checkbox"/> Arthritis             | <input type="checkbox"/> TMJ                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neurological Conditions | <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing loss          | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleep                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Allergies               | <input type="checkbox"/> Cerebral Palsy        | issues/disturbances:                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cancer: _____           | <input type="checkbox"/> Intellectual deficits | _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Head/neck cancer        | <input type="checkbox"/> Cleft Palate          | <input type="checkbox"/> Gastrointestinal (stomach) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shingles                | <input type="checkbox"/> chronic colds         | problems  |
|  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____               |

Past Medical History: Present medical diagnoses including psychiatric diagnoses (if applicable):

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Hospitalizations/Surgeries: Please describe any hospitalizations/surgeries (if applicable):

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Medications: Please list any medications you are currently taking (if applicable):

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Allergies: Please list any allergies (if applicable):

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Speech-Language History (please check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty swallowing                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Changes in Focusing/attention                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty expressing thoughts                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Changes Reading/writing                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty being understood by others                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty with word finding                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty understanding what others are saying to you | <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty maintaining topic of conversation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty with Orientation/memory                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Stuttering/fluency                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty with problem solving                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty following directions              |

\_\_\_ Oral motor weakness/changes

\_\_\_ Changes in voice

Please describe your speech, language, cognitive, and/or swallowing concerns:

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When/how did you/spouse start noticing difficulty, please describe:

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Would you consider the problem:            Mild?            Moderate?    Severe?

Have you been evaluated and/or treated by any of the following professionals?

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|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| ___ Speech Language Pathologist | ___ Allergist          |
| ___ Occupational Therapist      | ___ Gastroenterologist |
| ___ Physical Therapist          | ___ Neurologist        |
| ___ Chiropractor                | ___ Specialist: _____  |
| ___ ENT                         | ___ Other: _____       |

Please list any findings from seen healthcare professionals (if applicable):

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Recommendations healthcare professionals:

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Do you notice more difficulty in certain situations? Certain times of day? Fluctuating?

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How does the difficulty limit social/vocational activities?

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What do you hope to gain/improve from speech/language/cognitive therapy?

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## Functional Activities Questionnaire

Ask informant to rate patient's ability using the following scoring system:

<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
Normal *or* Never did it before, but could/can do it (e.g. spouse usually does it)	Does by self But has difficulty *or* Never did it, but would have difficulty	Requires assistance	Dependent/ Someone else does it

<b><u>Activity</u></b>	<b><u>Rating</u></b>
1. Writing checks, paying bills, balancing checkbook	<b>0 1 2 3</b>
2. Assembling tax records, business affairs, or papers	<b>0 1 2 3</b>
3. Shopping alone for clothes, household necessities, or groceries	<b>0 1 2 3</b>
4. Playing a game of skill, working on a hobby	<b>0 1 2 3</b>
5. Heating water, making a cup of coffee, turning off stove after use	<b>0 1 2 3</b>

6. Preparing a balanced meal	<b>0 1 2 3</b>
7. Keeping track of current events	<b>0 1 2 3</b>
8. Paying attention to, understanding, discussing TV, book, magazine	<b>0 1 2 3</b>
9. Remembering appointments, family occasions, holidays, medications	<b>0 1 2 3</b>
10. Traveling out of neighborhood, driving, arranging to take buses	<b>0 1 2 3</b>

TOTAL SCORE: \_\_\_\_\_

*Pfeffer, R.I., Kurosaki, T.T., Harrah, C.H. Jr., Chance, J.M., & Filos, S. (1982). Measurement of functional activities in older adults in the community. Journal of Gerontology, 37(3), 323-329. Reprinted with permission of Oxford University Press.*



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## Financial Agreement

- \_\_\_\_\_ I hereby give Garden State Speech Therapy, LLC authorization to file claims for services rendered on my behalf. Any claims that are not paid or authorized by the insurance carrier will be my responsibility.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I authorize the release of any medical or other information necessary to process all claims.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I understand that if payment is not issued by the insurance company within 45 days of the initial filing, I am responsible for following up with my insurance carrier and may be responsible for any payments not paid by my insurance carrier to Garden State Speech Therapy, LLC.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Invoices are due within 15 days of receipt. A 20% late fee will be added to all late bills.
- \_\_\_\_\_ If patient responsibility payment is not received within 30 days, therapy services might be put on hold. All balances more than 30 days old will be charged to the credit card on file.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I understand that if patient responsibility payment is not made within 60 days, my/my child's appointment time will be forfeited until the balance due is paid in full and therapy services might be terminated. I understand that delinquent accounts may be referred to collections, incur interest collection and attorney's fees for which I will be responsible. Garden State Speech Therapy, LLC does not guarantee the same time slot once the payment has been made.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I understand that a valid credit card on file is required for all scheduled appointments.
- \_\_\_\_\_ GSST will re-submit denied insurance claims twice (2 times). All denied claims thereafter will be billed to the client at billed rate. GSST will make every effort to assist with insurance appeals upon request.
- \_\_\_\_\_ All returned checks will incur a \$30 service fee.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I understand that it is my responsibility to inform the office of any insurance changes. Any charges incurred after the termination date of insurance policy are my responsibility
- \_\_\_\_\_ All patient responsibility payments are due at the time of service

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian for: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Attendance and Cancellation Policy

Consistent attendance of therapy sessions is paramount for progress. We offer consistent scheduling to all clients, with time slots reserved for each client. Our therapists make a commitment to their clients' progress, we ask that our clients make the same commitment by maintaining their attendance. We will make every effort to schedule make ups for all missed sessions. Make up sessions are offered based upon availability of therapists.

\_\_\_\_\_ We require 24 hour notice for cancellations. All cancellations of office visits **less than 24 hours in advance and no-shows** will incur a **\$50 charge**. For traveling appointments, the full rate will be charged. **The \$50 cancellation fee will be waived if the appointment is rescheduled and attended within 2 weeks. The \$50 no-show fee will not be waived and no-show appointments will not be rescheduled**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Two (2) canceled and not rescheduled sessions in any 10-week period will result in appointment time loss at the discretion of GSST management. Attendance rate of 80% is expected**

\_\_\_\_\_ **2 consecutive no-shows will result in appointment time loss**

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that cancellation and no-show fees cannot be billed to my insurance and are my responsibility.

\_\_\_\_\_ Sick children will be sent home. We will do our best to reschedule the appointment.

I have read and understood the attendance and cancellation policy. I hereby accept the attendance and cancellation policy in full.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

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## Consent and Acknowledgement

Name of client: \_\_\_\_\_

Consent for care and treatment: As (self/parent/legal guardian), I hereby consent to necessary evaluation, procedures, and/or treatments prescribed by the speech therapist as is necessary in their judgment. I understand that I/my child is under the care of a speech language pathologist. I authorize the release of medical information to Garden State Speech Therapy, LLC for continuity of care.

HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices: Garden State Speech Therapy, LLC will use and disclose personal health information for treatment, payment, and other healthcare operations and as otherwise permitted by law.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to client





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\*All Information Will Remain Confidential\*

Patient's name \_\_\_\_\_

Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Type:    \_\_\_ Visa    \_\_\_ Mastercard    \_\_\_ Discover

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_                      CVV/Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I choose to pay my outstanding balance with a credit card. A valid credit card is required to be on file for this option. Please provide the following information.

\_\_\_ I understand that all balances more than 30 days overdue will be charged to my credit card on file

I hereby authorize Garden State Speech Therapy, LLC to charge the credit card listed above for services rendered. I agree that all sessions booked will be charged at the corresponding rate as stated in the Service Agreement. I agree to keep valid credit card information on file with Garden State Speech Therapy, LLC and to immediately notify Garden State Speech Therapy, LLC if there are any changes to my credit card information. I agree to pay these charges according to my credit card agreement and not to cancel any valid charges, according to this agreement.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date