WHAT is DYSPHAGIA?

Dysphagia (dis-fay-juh) is the medical term for a swallowing disorder. Left untreated, swallowing disorders can be life-threatening.

SOME COMMON SIGNS:

- Extra effort or time needed to chew or swallow
- Coughing episodes when drinking or eating
- Feeling as though food is stuck in throat

Speech-language pathologists are leading experts in assessing and treating dysphagia. www.communicationhealth.ca.