

Videofluoroscopy (VFS) Clinic Survey

*Required

1. What is your profession? *

Mark only one oval.

- Speech and Language Therapist
- Radiologist
- Radiographer

2. Hospital name *

3. City *

Who is involved in VFS?

If you have more than 1 type of VFS clinic - please answer the questions for your main clinic. You will have a chance to give answers for any further clinics your service runs in the next section.

4. How many VFS slots are available per week?

5. How many Speech and Language Therapists (SLTs) conduct the clinic?

Mark only one oval.

- 1
- 2
- Other: _____

6. What Band SLT(s)?

7. How many SLTs are involved with analysis?

Mark only one oval.

- 1
- 2
- Other: _____

8. Is a Radiologist present?

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No
- Other: _____

9. If not is a Radiologist available to review images?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Other: _____

10. Is a Radiographer present?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Other: _____

11. Has the Radiographer received specialist VFS training?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- N/A
- Other: _____

12. How much is the Radiographer involved in interpreting?*Tick all that apply.*

- Not at all
- Assist in the analysis of the oesophageal stage
- Assist in the analysis of the oropharyngeal stages
- Both oropharyngeal & oesophageal stages
- Other: _____

13. If the VFS is SLT led, who acts as the IRMER Operator?*Mark only one oval.*

- SLT
- Radiographer
- Don't know
- N/A
- Other: _____

14. Do you have another clinic set up in a different way?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No *Skip to question 24.*

Second clinic operated differently?

This time answer the questions based on your second clinic, if you do not have a second clinic ignore this section.

15. How many Speech and Language Therapists (SLTs) conduct the clinic?*Mark only one oval.*

- 1
- 2
- Other: _____

16. What Band SLT(s)?

17. How many SLTs are involved with analysis*Mark only one oval.*

- 1
- 2
- Other: _____

18. Is a Radiologist present?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Other: _____

19. If not, is a Radiologist available to review images?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- N/A
- Other: _____

20. Is a Radiographer present?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Other: _____

21. Has the Radiographer received specialist VFS training?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Other: _____

22. How much is the Radiographer involved in interpreting?*Tick all that apply.*

- Not at all
- Assist in the analysis of the oesophageal stage
- Assist in the analysis of the oro-pharyngeal stage
- Both oropharyngeal & oesophageal stages
- Other: _____

23. If the VFS is SLT led, who acts as the IRMER operator?*Mark only one oval.*

- SLT
- Radiographer
- Don't know
- N/A
- Other: _____

Standard Protocols

24. Do you follow a standardized protocol for the assessment?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Other: _____

25. Protocol details

Please write the name of any published protocols you use or 'in house' if developed in house.

26. Is it used consistently by all therapists?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- N/A
- Other: _____

27. Do you use a standardized protocol for interpreting/ reporting?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

28. Analysis protocol

Please write the name of any published protocols you use or 'in house' if developed in house.

29. Is it used consistently by all therapists?

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No
- N/A
- Other: _____

30. Which rating scales do you use?

E.G for aspiration, residue or impairment

31. Do you do frame by frame analysis?

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No, don't need to
- No, unable to
- Other: _____

32. What % contrast to fluid/food do you use ?

I.e. what weight/volume to volume do you use?
If you do not know, write N/K below

33. What textures do you trial?*Tick all that apply.*

- Normal/thin fluids
- UK descriptors Stage 1/Syrup
- UK descriptors Stage 2/Custard
- UK descriptors Stage 3/Pudding
- IDDSI Level 1 fluids
- IDDSI Level 2 fluids
- IDDSI Level 3 fluids
- Puree diet
- Premashed/Mince and moist diet
- Forkmashable/Soft and bitesized diet
- Normal/Regular diet
- Other: _____

34. What contrast do you use?

Please give details of all the contrasts you use. If unknown please write N/K below.

35. Do you have set recipes?

Do you have a standard set of detailed recipes for each texture trialled i.e. 60ml of juice, 40ml barium, 1/2 scoop thickener?

Tick all that apply.

- Yes
- No
- Other: _____

Xray set up**36. Do you use fluoroscopy only?***Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Other: _____

37. Do you use fluorograb?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Other: _____

38. Do you use spot images?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Other: _____

39. Do you scan the oesophagus?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Other: _____

40. Do you use continuous or pulsed fluoroscopy?*Mark only one oval.*

- Continuous
- Pulsed
- Don't know
- Other: _____

41. What fluoroscopy pulse rate do you typically use?*Mark only one oval.*

- Less than 15pps
- 15pps
- 30 pps
- Don't know
- N/A
- Other: _____

42. What frame rate do you use?*Mark only one oval.*

- Less than 15fps
- 15fps
- 25fps
- 30fps
- Don't know
- Other: _____

43. How do you record data?*Mark only one oval.*

- Hospital system
- Kay Pentax
- Video
- DVD
- Digital
- Other: _____

44. Do you record sound?*Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- No
- Unable to
- Don't know
- Other: _____

45. What fluoroscopy mode do you typically use?*Mark only one oval.*

- Low
- Normal
- High
- Don't know
- Other: _____

46. What is the age of the fluoroscopy X-ray system?*Mark only one oval.*

- < 5 years
- 5 to 10 years
- Older than 10 years
- Don't know
- Other: _____

47. Do you use specialised fluoroscopy protocols for paediatric patients (if relevant)?

Mark only one oval.

- No paediatric clinic
- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Other: _____

48. If yes please specify

49. Have you received any IRMER training as an Operator?

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Other: _____

50. What is your usual screening time?

If you do not know, write N/K below. If you know an average range i.e. 2-4 minutes please write this

51. Do you have a maximum screening time?

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Other: _____

52. If yes, what is it?

53. Do you have any problems with image quality for VFS analysis?

Tick all that apply.

- No problems/Good quality image
- Unable to visualise all structures
- Pulse/frame rate too low
- Image contrast poor
- Recording does not capture swallow from start to end
- Poor definition
- Other: _____

54. Is your department able to carry out manofluoroscopy?

Manofluoroscopy = manometry + videofluoroscopy

Mark only one oval.

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Other: _____

Other comments

Please write any other comments related to your videofluoroscopy clinic which you wish to share.

55. Comments

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