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Intermediate Level

.15 ASHA CEUs

*What's the goal? Achieving Goal Concordant Rehab in H&N Cancer*

**Available until 12/31/2026**

**Level:** Intermediate

**Course Structure:**

This course is a live course, virtual format, which will become available on-demand after live event. Participants will have the opportunity to complete course requirements via live or recorded webinar.

**Course Description:**

In this course participants, participants will learn interdisciplinary perspectives on clinical ethics and opportunities to foster goal concordant care in patients undergoing total laryngectomy with tracheoesophageal puncture. Practical discussions will integrate perspectives of otolaryngologists, head and neck surgeons, speech pathologists, and ethicists. The panelists will consider decisions we make in modern total laryngectomy care and how these have evolved over time, with emphasis on tracheoesophageal puncture decisions. The panelists will apply the goal concordant care processes to management of TEP complications and candidacy.

**Course Objectives:**

Participants will be able to:

1. Describe goal concordant care principles and practices.
2. Describe decisions made in total laryngectomy and tracheoesophageal puncture care that represent opportunities for goal-concordant care.
3. Apply goal concordant care practices to ethical decisions in management of TEP complications and candidacy.

**Agenda:**

- 0-5 Introduction
- 5-20 Principles and practice of goal concordant care (McCommon)
- 20-35 Decisions we make in TL and TEP (Damrose)

- 35-50 Supporting goal concordant care in complex TEP: sometimes it's scary (Ebersole)
- 50-65 Retrograde and custom washers, it doesn't have to be scary (Kearney)
- 65-90 Moderated Panel All Faculty (Hutcheson)

***No partial credit will be given for this course.***

#### **Completion Requirements:**

In order to receive ASHA CEUs, you must complete the following—

1. Watch the webinar in full, which will be tracked on the Zoom platform which will host this live event.
2. Complete a post-course evaluation and survey within 48 hours of completion.
3. The post-course evaluation will be a self-assessment of learned knowledge.

#### [Post-Course Evaluation](#)

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#### **How to access the live event:**

1. Log into your account
2. Click on the “**View Content**” tab, where you will see the course title.
3. Click “**Launch Zoom Webinar**” at the bottom of the course.
4. Enter requested information and click “**Register**” using the same email address used to register for the activity (this can be done ahead of time and added to your calendar)
5. The day of the event, click “**Join Meeting**”

**Note:** If participating from a mobile device, you must download the Zoom mobile app to view this live event.

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