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Intermediate Level

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## *Optimizing Outcomes After Glossectomy*

**Available until 12/31/2026**

**Level:** Intermediate

### **Course Structure:**

This course is an asynchronous course, available on-demand. Participants will have the opportunity to complete course requirements via recorded webinar.

### **Course Description:**

This course provides an overview of rehabilitation standards after partial glossectomy. Topics include surgical interventions, adjuvant therapy and novel considerations for rehabilitation targets. Participants will learn about oral cavity evaluation protocols that drive clinical decision making for speech and swallowing therapy.

### **Course Objectives:**

1. Describe common surgical interventions for early to immediate stage oral tongue cancers.
2. Link evaluation protocols to clinical decision making for rehabilitation after partial glossectomy.
3. Describe innovations in surgical management and adjuvant therapy for early to immediate stage oral tongue cancers.

### **Agenda:**

- 0-8 Introduction (Hutcheson)
- 8-24 Partial glossectomy rehab: where are we and where are we going? (Barbon)
- 24-35 The Sunnybrook Protocol: evaluating glossectomy function (Jacobson)
- 36-62 Neck management to optimize function (Lai)
- 62-79 Reconstructing the tongue while considering function (Chapeha)
- 80-92 Moderated Q&A with panelists (Hutcheson, Barbon, Lai, Jacobson, Chapeha)

***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 monitored through the website.
2. Complete a post-course evaluation and survey within 48 hours of watching the webinar in full.
3. The post-course assessment will include a multiple-choice test, which must be completed with 100% accuracy. The learner will have unlimited attempts.

[Link to Post-Course Evaluation](#)

**Policies:** Please see home page

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