

Functional Assessment and Remediation of Tethered Oral Tissues (TOTs)

0.6 ASHA/AOTA CEUs

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Course Description

Participants will learn through the concept of task analysis the specific ways in which TOTs impacts the oral motor and oral placement skills for breast, bottle, cup, straw and solid feedings in addition to speech sound production. Videos and live practicums with attendee participation will provide therapeutic intervention tasks that participants can implement with their clients immediately. The importance of pre and post-surgical therapy will be discussed, and surgical techniques will be explored so that therapists may have a better understanding of the current research across disciplines on an international level.

Learning Outcomes

1. Participants will be able to list three forms of TOTs.
2. Participants will be able to identify at least 3-5 functional impacts of TOTs on feeding skills.
3. Participants will be able to list at least 3 speech sounds that may be affected by TOTs.
4. Participants will be able to list at least 2 professionals that should be consulted if TOTs is suspected after a functional assessment.

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