

Guide for Fluoroscopy Studies

To order a study: Fax order to (513) 803-1111 or enter order into EPIC.

Esophagram or UGI: Contact our scheduling center at (513) 636-3200 to schedule.

Video Swallow Study: Contact the Division of Speech Coordinator at (513) 636-4802 to schedule.

Order	ESOPHAGRAM	UGI	VIDEO SWALLOW STUDY
Indication	 Esophageal anatomic abnormalities (e.g. vascular rings or stricture) Esophageal dysmotility Assess for post-surgical leak/perforation Assess for trans-hiatal or para-esophageal hernias GERD (reflux) or delayed cough AFTER feeding 	 Evaluate developmental anatomic abnormalities of the upper GI tract Difficulty feeding with liquids and/or solids Nausea/vomiting with feeds GERD (reflux) or delayed cough AFTER feeding Post-surgical anatomy/complications Assess for trans-hiatal or para-esophageal hernias Malrotation with/without midgut volvulus Pre-surgical workup for G/GJ tubes Assess Nissen fundoplication 	Consider a VSS for patients with: Clinical signs and symptoms of aspiration/pharyngeal swallowing dysfunction which may include coughing, choking, color changes, or congestion during oral intake Clinical concerns for swallowing difficulty or aspiration in high-risk populations for swallowing dysfunction, with diagnoses that include neurological, degenerative conditions, cardiac diagnoses, cancer, or genetic syndromes; patients with symptoms that can recur over time (EoE, TEF/EA with narrowing); patients with a history of BRUE Recurrent pneumonia Post-operative state with potential impact to vocal folds/airway or esophagus, including cardiac patients or patients who are status post airway reconstruction procedures History of silent aspiration; need to update safety of swallowing and subsequent oral feeding recommendations VSS is not preferred in patients who: Have negligible oral intake Have had multiple swallow studies with no significant change in neurological or structural status Have had no feeding/swallowing therapy or other appropriate intervention since most recent VSS Have had recent surgery or acute illness that could impact results In these cases, please consider optimal timing of VSS to minimize radiation dosage. Clinical feeding evaluation/therapy to prepare patients to take an appropriate amount and/or introduce feeding strategies to maximize success of a video swallow study.
Body Region	ESOPHAGUS	UPPER GI TRACT	AIRWAYS