

## Board Policy Statement- Videofluoroscopic (VFSS)

The Board endorses the need for a qualified physician's participation with the speech-language pathologist as the best practice standard for performance of videofluoroscopic swallowing studies (VFSS). If a physician is unavailable, then a competent speech-language pathologist may perform the instrumental assessment. In this situation, the study should be limited to the observation and documentation of swallowing physiology and function only. The speech-language pathologist should arrange for a radiologist or other qualified physician to review the study afterward.