

DYSPHAGIA INTERVIEW

Student Number: 209619

Examiner Name: [REDACTED]

Medical Interview	Marks
Clarifies the nature of the presenting problem Asks what the patient means by "trouble swallowing" (1), clarifies whether the problem relates to solids or liquids (0 OR 2), asks about the level of obstruction (0 OR 2), asks whether food has ever been completely stuck (0 OR 2)	Out of 7 (1) (2)
Asks about time course and associated features Asks if difficulty swallowing is present every time (0 OR 2), asks about progression of the symptom (0 OR 2), asks about the timing of the obstruction with respect to swallowing (1), asks if there has been nasal regurgitation (1) or associated choking or coughing (1)	Out of 7 (2)
Asks about history of risk factors for oesophageal disease Asks about history of reflux disease (1) and treatment for this condition, including adherence (2), asks whether the patient has ever had an endoscopy (1), asks about smoking (1) and alcohol consumption (1)	Out of 6 (1) (1) (1) (1)
Asks about symptoms suggestive of malignancy Asks about weight loss (1), vomiting (1), haematemesis (1), haemoptysis (1) and dyspnoea (1)	Out of 5 (1) (1) (1) (1)
SUBTOTAL	Out of 25 (11)
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Carry over subtotal	Out of 25 (11)
Communication Skills Mark	
Award mark out of 5 for the student's communication skills, taking into account whether the student used effective listening skills, displayed effective questioning technique, maintained appropriate eye contact, treated the patient with respect, was responsive to the patient's concerns, displayed a professional manner, brought the clinical encounter to a suitable close	Out of 5 (2)
Examiner Questions	
1. Please list the TWO (2) most likely diagnoses. Peptic oesophageal stricture (0 OR 2) Carcinoma of the oesophagus (0 OR 2) <i>Barrett's oesophagus</i>	Out of 10 (2)
2. What investigation would you request to establish the diagnosis? Upper gastrointestinal endoscopy (0 OR 2) <i>said Bi Swallow</i>	0
3. This image shows the finding at endoscopy. What is the likely diagnosis? Carcinoma of the oesophagus (0 OR 2) If the student does not answer this question correctly, do not award marks. You may, however, provide the correct answer so that he or she may attempt Question 4.	<i>no picture provided</i>
4. Name the TWO (2) most common pathological types of this cancer Award ONE mark each for: adenocarcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma (2)	X
TOTAL	Out of 40 (15)

In this station the student's overall performance was

Recommend: UNSATISFACTORY | BORDERLINE | SATISFACTORY

- Severe stutter

- Asked leading questions

"You never coughed up blood?"

also asked "You haven't travelled recently?"

- Tending to look a lot at his notes

- Not responsive to patient's concerns