

Speech and Hearing Clinic

Patient Intake Form

Name:	Date:
Describe your voice problem:	
How long have you had the voice problem:	
Has this changed over time: yes:	no:
What are the symptoms? (What does your voice sound	d like to you? What won't it do, that it should, or what does it do
that it shouldn't?	
What is/are your occupation(s)?	
Please list your medical history/conditions:	
Alcohol Intake: Never:	Drinks per week:
Smoking History: Never:Packs per day:	Quit/When:
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Water intake: Never: Number of cups / ou	unces per day:

Outcome Measures

Reflux Symptom Index (RSI) 0-5 rating scale; 0=no problem, 5=severe problem

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Heartburn, chest pain, indigestion, or stomach acid coming up.	0	1	2	3	4	5	
Sensations of something sticking in your throat, or a lump in your throat.	0	1	2	3	4	5	
Troublesome or annoying cough.	0	1	2	3	4	5	
Breathing difficulties or choking episodes.	0	1	2	3	4	5	
Coughing after you eat or lie down.	0	1	2	3	4	5	
Difficulty swallowing foods, liquids, or pills.	0	1	2	3	4	5	
Excess throat mucus or post nasal drip.	0	1	2	3	4	5	
Clearing your throat.		1	2	3	4	5	
Hoarseness or a problem with your voice.	0	1	2	3	4	5	

Belafsky, P., Postman, G., Koufman, J. (2002). Validity and reliability of the reflux, symptom index (RSI), Journal of Voice, 16 (2), 274-277.

Voice Handicap Index

These are statements that many people have used to describe their voices and the impact of their voice problems on their lives. Circle the response that indicates how frequently you have the same experience.

0 – never 1 – almost never 2 – sometimes 3 – almost always 4 – always

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