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## Learning Objectives

MedBridge Education

*Disorders of the Esophagus for the Speech-Language Pathologist*

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### Course Objectives

The participant will:

- Be able to describe the basics of the anatomy and physiology of the esophagus, including its neural innervations
- Be able to classify esophageal disorders into either structural or motor etiologies
- Be able to differentiate between multiple disorders of the esophagus based on the patient presentation

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### Chapter 1: Esophageal Anatomy and Function

In this chapter, the participant will learn to describe the basics of the anatomy and physiology of the esophagus, including its neural innervations. The muscles of the esophagus and their mechanics are presented as detailed three-dimensional models.

### Chapter 2: Esophageal Disorders

Dr. Groher demonstrates how to classify esophageal disorders into either structural or motor etiologies. He then instructs how to differentiate between multiple disorders of the esophagus based on the patient presentation.