

Welcome & a note from Brooke

Thank you for trusting me to help you! I look forward to being the mentor you need when Google doesn't have the answers and when online forums feel unfriendly. Please read on to learn how to get the most out of SLP Mentor in My Pocket. *–Brooke*

Disclaimer / Terms

SLP Mentor in My Pocket is for educational purposes only. It doesn't replace your clinical judgment, licensure, or in-depth continuing education / training. read the complete terms & conditions

How does SLP Mentor in My Pocket work?

All subscribers get immediate access to the microlearning library, MedSLPedia. The always-growing library allows us to learn from each other's questions in a safe space.

Library + Questions members can submit mentoring questions, any time.

Is SLP Mentor in My Pocket confidential?

Yes. Answers to questions will be shared to the library; however, your identity will not be shared. Your name and email are used to verify your account, and you'll be contacted by mentors only as needed.

Who can use this program? What are the different tiers?

- Questions + Library: Practicing SLPs/SLTs/SPs, including clinical fellows.
- Library only: Practicing SLPs/SLTs/SPs, including clinical fellows, and students.

Do I have to live in the United States to benefit from SLP Mentor in My Pocket?

Nope! The beauty of asynchronous mentoring is that you can ask your question anytime and get an answer when it's ready, no matter where you are.

Where do I ask my question?

Submit questions one at a time through the form in your dashboard.

Can I ask as many questions as I need?

Yes! *TIP*: Succinct, specific questions where you share your thought process (eg, "this is what I'm thinking; am I on the right track?") will get the quickest response.

Note: asking a high volume of questions in a short period of time may result in delays, so please prioritize questions accordingly.

When should I expect a response?

Video and/or written responses to questions are added to MedSLPedia on a monthly basis, along with any relevant resources and downloads. I do my best to answer all questions, but in months with heavy volume, any questions not directly answered will remain in the queue. We focus on addressing the most common and impactful queries, and these are added to MedSLPedia for broader benefit.



What if I need an answer sooner?

SLP Mentor in My Pocket is designed for flexible, asynchronous learning. For interactive 1:1 guidance, you can book a private consultation with Brooke (please email us).

Best practices for asking questions

Since this is a mentoring program, please share your thought process and/or understanding when submitting a question. This helps me to understand your clinical reasoning and contributes significantly to your clinical growth.

Examples:

- "My patient's pulmonologist is concerned about chronic aspiration, but my clinical swallow exam revealed ______. I'm thinking of doing ______ next; do you think that's a good step?"
- "I don't understand this medical term. When I googled it, it sounds like it means _____. It seems like it could affect our practice by _____. Am I on the right track?"

Are there any questions that don't get answers?

While we strive to provide comprehensive support, some questions may be less likely to receive direct responses. These include:

- **Easily searchable questions**: If a question can be quickly answered through a basic internet search or common resources, it may not be prioritized.
- **Highly specific or complex cases**: Questions requiring detailed, personalized guidance may be better suited for a private consultation, as they often involve nuances that are difficult to address in a broad forum. We'll let you know if your question falls into this category.
- **Repeat or similar questions**: If a question has already been covered in MedSLPedia, a direct response may be less likely.
- Questions that appear to be the result of account-sharing

Can I ask questions for coworkers, students, or others?

No; you may only ask questions for yourself. Please refer others to sign up at the website.

If a question appears to be the result of account-sharing, it will not be answered. Account-sharing violates the terms of service and undermines the personalized support this program offers. If account-sharing is suspected, your account may be reviewed and potentially suspended or terminated without a refund.

HIPAA & patient / client privacy

Do not include any identifying information (PHI) in your questions. Questions with this information will be deleted and you will be asked to resubmit the question. A PHI-friendly question might look like: "I have a 90-something patient with a history of COPD" (instead of "Patient is a 99 year old female with COPD"). <u>Read more about identifiers to avoid here</u>.

Do not send pictures, videos, audio samples, or any other information that could compromise patient privacy. If you believe a picture or video is necessary, please send a brief note (without PHI) to discuss options.

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What are mentors' areas of expertise for this program?

- Acute care & ICU / critical illness
- AAC (no- and low-tech)
- Aphasia
- Cognitive-communication disorders
- **Dysphagia** & swallowing
- Essentials & Medical (eg chart review, lab values, oxygen, goal-writing, patient/family education, etc).
- Motor speech disorders
- **Professional** topics
- Trach / vent (including speaking valves)
- **Voice** (non-instrumental)
- Chad is on-call for **TEP / laryngectomy**-related questions.

Questions pertaining to **RMT / EMST / IMST** are managed through our sister site, breathehab.com . Please submit any RMT-specific questions there.

What if I ask a question outside your area of expertise?

I'll send an email to let you know. Whenever possible, I'll do my best to connect you with someone who may be better able to assist you.

Questions / Contact

For any further inquiries, email <u>hello@themodernmedslp.com</u>