

## HOW TO MAKE A REFERRAL

- Ask your office to fax the latest office note and the enclosed referral form, signed and completed to:  
404-686-4699  
Attention: Edie Hapner  
Director of Speech-Language Pathology
- For an appointment your patient or office should call:  
404-686-1850

## WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT WHEN YOU REFER A PATIENT

Speech-Language Pathologists at the Emory Voice Center are dedicated to working together with the referring physician and other non-physician colleagues to provide the best care possible for the patients. When patients are referred to one of our Speech Pathologists, a comprehensive evaluation is completed and together with treatment recommendations, sent to the referral source. The report includes still photos or a CD of any imaging studies completed.

## THE SPEECH PATHOLOGY TEAM

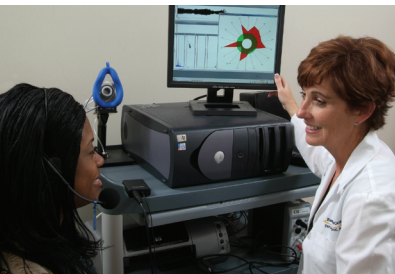
### **Edie R. Hapner, PhD, CCC-SLP**

#### **Director, Voice Specialist**

Dr. Hapner is the Director of Speech Language Pathology at the Emory Voice Center and a faculty member in the Department of Otolaryngology,

Emory University School of Medicine. She graduated with a Ph.D. in Voice Science and Exercise Science from Vanderbilt University. She has worked for more than 25 years with specialty interest in voice. She received the Clinician of the Year Award from the

Georgia Speech Language and Hearing Association in 2007 and Outstanding Alumnae from the University of Missouri-Columbia Department of Education the same year. She is a Scientific Fellow for the American Academy of Otolaryngology and was awarded the Clinical Scholars designation in 2006.



### **Marina Gilman, MM, MA, CCC-SLP** **Singing Voice Specialist**

Ms. Gilman received her B.S. from Indiana University (music), her M.M. from Ithaca College (voice) and her M.A. from Northwestern University (speech and language pathology). She is a licensed Speech Language Pathologist with voice specialization, voice and speech teacher and a certified Feldenkrais® Practitioner. She has presented workshops for actors and singers in professional theater and

opera companies as well as for speech pathologists at state and national conferences. Ms. Gilman has been a singing teacher and performer for more than 30 years.



### **Meryl Kaufman, MEd, CCC-SLP** **Dysphagia/Head and Neck Cancer Specialist**



Ms. Kaufman is a licensed Speech Language Pathologist with more than 15 years experience in swallowing disorders and head and neck cancer. She has worked within the departments of Otolaryngology at the

Medical College of Georgia, the Medical University of South Carolina, where she held an adjunct faculty appointment in the College of Health Professions at the Medical University of South Carolina, and the University of Alabama Birmingham. She has served as Clinical Supervisor and instructor at Georgia State University. Ms. Kaufman is currently president of the Georgia Chapter of the Head and Neck Cancer Alliance.

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# The Emory Voice Center

## Speech-Language Pathology Services

The Emory Voice Center's Speech Pathology Program is part of the department of otolaryngology head and neck surgery located at Emory Crawford Long Medical Office Tower and at the Emory Clinic at Emory University's main campus.

Our Speech-Language Pathologists are among the most highly skilled and educated in the country. They hold doctoral degrees and dual master's degrees in their specialty area.

### **SPECIALIZED SERVICES AND PROCEDURES**

#### ***Evaluation and Treatment of Voice Disorders***

We work with anyone who depends on their voice (speaking or singing) for a living or for whom the ability to speak or sing effectively is a significant part of their self identity. Individualized treatment programs are developed to meet the personal and professional goals of our patients.

Patients receive a comprehensive voice evaluation including:

- Laryngeal imaging with videostroboscopy
- Acoustic and aerodynamic assessments
- Voice Therapy

#### ***Services for Singers and Actors***

The Speech-Language Pathologists/ Singing Voice Specialists collaborate with physicians, voice coaches, voice teachers, agents, sound engineers and producers to provide complete rehabilitative care to the patient, reduce downtime and help manage performance and rehearsal schedules.

#### ***Services for Pediatric Voice Problems***

Together with the laryngologist, the Speech Language Pathologists provide laryngeal imaging for pediatric voice patients as needed. Voice therapy is provided to those 5 years and older.

#### ***Services for Parkinson's Disease***

Our Speech-Language Pathologists are certified in the Lee Silverman Voice Therapy technique (LSVT), the only research proven method of improving the voice and articulation of persons' with Parkinson's Disease.

#### ***Evaluation and Treatment of Swallowing Disorders***

Working as part of a multidisciplinary team, our approach to the treatment of swallowing problems focuses on therapeutic and medical management resulting in the least restrictive diet alterations to maximize each persons quality of life.

Our experienced Speech Pathologists offer the latest in diagnostic and treatment techniques including:

- Modified barium swallow studies
- Flexible endoscopic evaluations of swallowing
- Pharyngeal manofluorography
- Surface electromyography (SEMG)
- Sensory testing
- Personalized therapeutic plans

#### ***Treatment of Oral, Head and Neck Cancer***

Our program is part of a multidisciplinary approach to the evaluation and treatment of patients with oral, head and neck cancer. We work with both surgical and non-surgical cancer patients before, during and after their treatment to maximize their long-term speech and swallowing functions.

Specialized services include:

- Pre-treatment counseling
- Training in the use of an electrolarynx
- Esophageal speech
- Tracheoesophageal speech (TEP)
- Referral for oral prosthetic devices
- Exercises programs to minimize the negative side effects of chemotherapy and radiation therapy

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