

The _____ Speech and Language Therapy Team are inviting you to participate in a project, piloting a swallowing therapy device. This device is widely used in Sweden and we are interested in whether it would be appropriate to invest in this form of therapy in our Trust.

The device is called IQoro® and information can be found on <https://www.iqoro.com/> IQoro® is a neuromuscular treatment method which has been shown to have a lasting effect on swallowing difficulties and paralysis of the face or pharynx after stroke.

What would be required of you?

- Introductory session – SLT swallow assessment, demonstrating use of the device, completing some questionnaires and deciding whether you give consent to participate.
- Approximately 12 weeks therapy, self-led or with the assistance of a helper/ carer – This would entail using the device for **30 seconds, 3 times per day** and keeping a record/log of use (chart provided).
- Outcome measure assessment –swallow review by SLT staff, completing follow up questionnaires.

This project will not:

- disadvantage you from any other type of therapy or treatment regarding your speech and swallow
- interfere with your normal review process of your speech, language or swallowing disorder

If you wish to discontinue the pilot programme at any stage or experience any adverse effects due to use of the device, please contact the Speech and Language Therapist who provided you with the device on _____

All information will be stored by _____ anonymously. We will collect information about your health, progress and both clinicians' and clients' experience with this device. This will be shared with the device supplier, IQoro®, and may be submitted to NICE (the UK government body who advise the NHS on the advisability of potential new treatments.) Your name and personal details would not appear in any such report.

I give consent / do not give consent to participate in this pilot study.

Participant

Print: _____

Sign: _____

Date: _____

SLT name:

