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A plate of fruits and vegetables and a glass of water with ice.

Many people with intellectual disability have problems when they

- Eat
- Drink
- Swallow

This is called dysphagia.

This Easy Read resource tells you about swallowing problems.

It explains how doctors can help.

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The guide says to call 111 if you have trouble breathing. But that is the number to call if you live in England.

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This is known as dysphagia.

This Easy Read resource is about swallowing problems.

You can download a PDF guide that explains:

- causes of swallowing problems
- different types of swallowing problems
- things that happen when you find it hard to swallow
- how doctors can help with the problem.

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