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SPEECH FLUENCY AND STUTTERING CHECKLIST

OBSERVATION	NOT OBSERVED	SOMETIMES OBSERVED	FREQUENTLY OBSERVED
Multiple part-word repetitions - Repeating the first letter or syllable of a word, such as "t-t-t-table" or "ta-ta-ta-table."			
<i>Prolongation</i> – Stretching out a sound, such as rrrabbitt.			
Schwa vowel – Use of the weak ("uh") vowel. For example, instead of saying "bay-bay-bay-baby," the Individual may substitute "buh-buh-buh-baby."			
Struggle and tension – Struggle and force is used in attempt to speak.			
Pitch and loudness rise – During stuttering repetitions and prolongations, the vocal pitch and loudness may increase.			
Tremors – Uncontrolled quivering of the lips or tongue may occur as sounds or syllables are repeated or prolonged.			
Avoidance – an unusual number of pauses; substitutions of words; interjection of extraneous sounds, words or phrases; avoidance of talking.			
Fear –When approaching a sound that gives him or her trouble, he or she may display an expression of fear.			
Difficulty in starting or sustaining airflow or voicing speech – This is heard most often when beginning sentences or phrases. Breathing may be irregular and speech may occur in spurts as individual struggles to keep the voice "on."			

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