

# HEAD AND NECK

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Presentations may involve the head, eyes, ears, nose, throat, and neck and may include, but are not limited to, signs and symptoms such as pain, rash, infection, visual changes, and bleeding.

Examples of specific conditions may include pharyngitis, migraine headache, Ramsey-Hunt syndrome, otitis media, dental abscess, acute glaucoma, epistaxis, and Ludwig's angina.

## **Dysphagia**

- Abnormal vital signs
  - Altered consciousness
  - Anxiety
  - Drooling
  - Dyspnea
  - Immunocompromised
  - Neck swelling
  - Older adult
  - Pain
  - Post-prandial
  - Weak
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## **Dysphonia**

- Abnormal vital signs
  - Altered consciousness
  - Blunt trauma
  - Older adult
  - Pain
  - Paralysis
  - Paresthesia / dysesthesia
  - Penetrating trauma
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## **Ear Drainage**

- Abnormal vital signs
- Blunt trauma
- Child
- Congestion/rhinorrhea
- Foreign body
- Older adult
- Pain
- Penetrating trauma
- Rash

## Foreign Body

- Abnormal vital signs
  - Abscess
  - Altered consciousness
  - Child
  - Nasal drainage
  - Older adult
  - Pain
  - Penetrating trauma
  - Mass
  - Stridor
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## Ear Pain

- Child
  - Discharge
  - Foreign body
  - Lymphadenopathy
  - Neck swelling
  - Older adult
  - Pain
  - Rash
  - Trauma
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## Eye Discharge

- Abnormal vital signs
- Child
- Foreign body
- Older adult
- Pain
- Photophobia
- Post-traumatic
- Rash
- Redness
- Swelling
- Visual disturbance

## Eye Pain

- Child
  - Discharge
  - Foreign body
  - Headache
  - Older adult
  - Photophobia
  - Trauma
  - Visual disturbance
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## Periocular Swelling

- Abnormal vital signs
  - Altered consciousness
  - Blunt trauma
  - Child
  - Older adult
  - Pain
  - Photophobia
  - Post-traumatic
  - Rash
  - Visual disturbance
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## Facial Palsy

- Abnormal vital signs
- Altered consciousness
- Child
- Dysarthria
- Dysphagia
- Older adult
- Pain
- Paralysis
- Paresthesia / dysesthesia
- Post-traumatic
- Rash

## Facial Pain

- Altered consciousness
  - Child
  - Discharge
  - Older adult
  - Post-traumatic
  - Rash
  - Redness
  - Swelling
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## Headache and Head Pain

- Abnormal vital signs
  - Altered consciousness
  - Ataxia
  - Blunt trauma
  - Child
  - Dizzy
  - Dysarthria
  - Dysphagia
  - Fall from height
  - Fall from standing
  - Nausea / vomiting
  - Older adult
  - Paralysis
  - Paresthesia / dysesthesia
  - Penetrating trauma
  - Photophobia
  - Post-traumatic
  - Postpartum
  - Pregnant
  - Rash
  - Syncope
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## Alopecia

- Abscess
- Altered consciousness
- Anxiety
- Child
- Mass
- Older adult
- Pain
- Rash

## Hearing Loss

- Abnormal vital signs
  - Altered consciousness
  - Ataxia
  - Bleeding
  - Child
  - Congestion / rhinorrhea
  - Older adult
  - Pain
  - Rash
  - Trauma
  - Vertigo
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## Dental Pain

- Abnormal vital signs
  - Abscess
  - Altered consciousness
  - Child
  - Dental caries
  - Older adult
  - Pain
  - Post-procedural
  - Post-traumatic
  - Swelling
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## Jaw Pain

- Abnormal vital signs
- Abscess
- Altered consciousness
- Child
- Dental caries
- Lymphadenopathy
- Malocclusion
- Mass
- Older adult
- Pain
- Post-procedural
- Post-traumatic
- Swelling
- Trismus

## Lip Swelling

- Abnormal vital signs
  - Adverse drug effect
  - Child
  - Dysarthria
  - Dysphagia
  - Older adult
  - Pain
  - Rash
  - Tongue swelling
  - Uvular edema
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## Neck Muscle Spasms

- Adverse drug effect
  - Altered consciousness
  - Child
  - Dysarthria
  - Dysphagia
  - Movement disorder
  - Older adult
  - Pain
  - Post-traumatic
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## Neck Pain

- Abnormal vital signs
- Abscess
- Altered consciousness
- Child
- Dysarthria
- Dysphagia
- Lymphadenopathy
- Mass
- Older adult
- Post-traumatic
- Radiculopathy
- Rash
- Swelling

## Neck Swelling

- Abnormal vital signs
  - Abscess
  - Child
  - Dysphagia
  - Dyspnea
  - Lymphadenopathy
  - Mass
  - Older adult
  - Post-procedure
  - Post-traumatic
  - Rash
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## Neck Stiffness (Torticollis)

- Adverse drug effect
  - Altered consciousness
  - Child
  - Movement disorder
  - Older adult
  - Post-traumatic
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## Mouth Pain

- Abnormal vital signs
- Abscess
- Child
- Dental caries
- Discharge
- Lymphadenopathy
- Older adult
- Rash
- Swelling



## **Sore Throat**

- Abnormal vital signs
  - Abscess
  - Altered consciousness
  - Child
  - Dysphagia
  - Dysphonia
  - Exudate
  - Immunocompromised
  - Mass
  - Older adult
  - Pain
  - Rash
  - Swelling
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## **Tongue Lesions**

- Altered consciousness
  - Bleeding
  - Child
  - Exudate
  - Lymphadenopathy
  - Mass
  - Post-traumatic
  - Rash
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## **Tongue Swelling**

- Abnormal vital signs
- Adverse drug effect
- Child
- Dysphagia
- Dysphonia
- DyspneaOlder adult
- Stridor

## **Visual Change**

- Abnormal vital signs
  - Altered consciousness
  - Diplopia
  - Older adult
  - Pain
  - Post-traumatic
  - Weak
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## **Proptosis**

- Abnormal vital signs
- Altered consciousness
- Neck swelling
- Older adult
- Pain
- Post-traumatic

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