

مشروع التثقية الصحي Health Education Project

Dysphonia



Definitio<mark>n of Dysph</mark>onia

Voice disorders characterized by hoarseness, weakness or even loss of voice are called dysphonia.



Description of Dysphonia

Your voice box or larynx is a framework of cartilage containing vocal cords. These structures vibrate to produce the sound of your voice.





Causes and Risk Factors

- -Voice abuse.
- Recurrent laryngeal nerve injury during surgery (thyroidctomy).
- -Malignancy.
- -External or internal trauma.
- -Laryngopharyngeal reflux.

Diagnosis of Dysphonia

After full history the physician can refer you to an ear nose and throat specialist who can perform a diagnostic procedure called indirect laryngoscopy. video-Stroboscopy.

Treatment of Dysphonia

- Conservative treatment includes avoiding vigorous use of the voice (singing shouting).
- Anti-Reflux Treatment.
- voice therapy.
- Some cases of dysphonia can require surgical intervention like excision of benign cord lesions (polyp nodule) or injection laryngioplasty (Vocal Cord Paralysis).

