ASSESSMENT OF ANKYLOGLOSSIA

HAZELBAKER ASSESSMENT TOOL FOR LINGUAL FRENULUM FUNCTION:

PATIENT NAME: ___________________________  DOB: ___________________________

### Appearance Items

*Appearance of tongue when lifted:

2  Round or square  
1  Slight cleft in tip apparent  
0  Heart or V-shaped

*Elasticity of frenulum*

2  Very elastic  
1  Moderately elastic  
0  Little or no elasticity

*Length of lingual frenulum when tongue is lifted*

2  >1 cm  
1  1 cm  
0  <1 cm

*Attachment of lingual frenulum to tongue*

2  Posterior to tip  
1  At tip  
0  Notched tip

*Attachment of lingual frenulum to inferior*

2  Entire edge, firm cup  
1  Side edges only, moderate cup  
0  Poor or no cup

*Peristalsis*

2  Complete, anterior to posterior  
1  Partial, originating posterior to tip  
0  None or reverse motion

*Snapback*

2  None  
1  Periodic  
0  Frequent or with each suck

### Function Items

*Lateralization*

2  Complete  
1  Body of tongue but not tongue tip  
0  None

*Lift of tongue*

2  Tip to mid-mouth  
1  Only edges to mid-mouth  
0  Tip stays at lower alveolar ridge or rises to mid-mouth only with jaw closure

*Extension of tongue*

2  Tip over lower lip  
1  Tip over lower gum only  
0  Neither of the above, or anterior or mid-tongue humps

*Spread of anterior tongue*

2  Complete  
1  Moderate or partial  
0  Little or none

*Cupping alveolar ridge*

2  Attached to floor of mouth or well below ridge  
1  Attached just below ridge  
0  Attached at ridge

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