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I am the Co-Director of the Thyroid and Parathyroid Center and Director of Head & Neck Endocrine Surgery in the Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, at Oregon Health & Science University. We provide care to patients with advance thyroid cancer who are referred from not only state of Oregon but also from Washington, Idaho, Alaska, and northern California. Some of the surgeries involve resection of airway structures and can result in significant voice and swallowing problems. Many of these regions, especially outside of Oregon, do not SLPs experienced in voice and swallowing problems that result from surgeries that involve the aerodigestive tract. It will be incredibly beneficial to our patients if our SLPs can care for these patients across state lines.

Thank you for your consideration.

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