# **Patient Advocacy:**

## EAR

DO's	DON'T
Avoid noisy places	Don't put sharp objects like hair pin, pen etc in
	the ear
In case of ear discharge, if some one has headache, asymmetry of face, vomiting, swelling around the ear then report to ENT surgeon immediately	Do not put hot oil in the ear
Avoid personal listening devices for too long	Don't go to quack or person in public places for wax removal eg market
If the child is crying inconsolably and touching the ear repeatedly or putting finger in the ear It could be the infection of the Ear	

## NOSE

DO's	DONT
'Snoring in children for more than a week should	Avoid nose picking
be consulted at the earliest	
If the nasal discharge is green or yellow then	Repeated and continuous use of nasal drops is
consult at the earliest	harmful for the lining of nose
Continuous leak of watery discharge from the	Avoid hard blowing of nose during Upper
nose which cannot be sniffed back specially after	respiratory tract infection
trauma could be sign of CSF leak and should be	
immediately consulted	
Repeated nose bleeding in an adult could be a	
sign of tumor in the nose	
Allergic rhinitis and asthma are frequently	
associated with each other and thus should be	
ruled out in each case	
Yellowish nasal discharge from nose or into	
mouth from nose, headache, nasal obstruction	
are signs for Sinusitis and should be evaluated	

## **HEAD & NECK**

DO'S	DON'T
Avoid	Avoid smoking
Any non-healing ulcer, difficulty in swallowing,	Avoid Tobacco
abnormal looking mole, any persistent swelling,	
persistent sore throat, Difficulty in opening of	
mouth, swelling in the neck should be evaluated	
by an ENT surgeon	
	Avoid Paan, Paan Masala and Beetle nut

### **LARYNX**

DO'S	DON'T
Any Hoarseness for more than 2 weeks should be	Avoid smoking
evaluated	
Persistent irritation in throat, khich khich,	Avoid Tobacco
repeated clearing of throat are signs for chronic	
laryngitis	

### **CHILDREN**

DO'S	DON'T
Get vaccination at regular prescribed interval	Nose picking
	Avoid buds for cleaning the ear