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Topic 7. Acute diseases of the pharynx. Primary and secondary tonsillitis. Complications of tonsillitis, pharyngeal abscess, pharyngeal diphtheria.

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- Impaired lymphatic drainage
- Mediastinitis
- Trauma to major blood vessels
- Retroesophageal abscess

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Asphyxia due to pus aspiration