

Feeding chart for infants with stomas

Baby details	Surgical details
Name	Date of surgery
	Gestational age at
DOB	surgery
	Weight at surgery (g)
CHI	Surgical procedure
	Reason for stoma ¹
	Bowel resected?
Gestational age at birth	Type of stoma ²
Birthweight (g)	Remaining bowel (cm) ³

- 1. Confirmed NEC / Suspected NEC / SIP / Atresia / Meconium ileus / Anorectal malformation / Other (please state)
- 2. Type of stoma (eg, mid ileostomy, end ileosotmy, high jejunostomy etc)
- 3. Usually this is stated as length from DJ flexure to the stoma in cm. If not stated on operation note, please record as 'not stated'

Practice points:

- Avoid using feeding regimen C for babies with stomas
- Start feeds when the stoma is starting to work or surgical team are happy for trophic feeds. This is usually hourly bolus and preference for breast milk
- Increments in milk volume should occur no more frequently than every 48 hours
- If stoma output is trending up, even if not >20ml/kg/24hr, to stay at current volume until stoma output stabilises and consider other causes of high output (most common is infection)
- If using formula milk, consider partially hydrolysed preparation, and continuous gastric feeding, as this increases gut contact time and encourages enteral growth*. This decision should be made in conjunction with neonatal dietician.

Day post op	Stoma output (ml/kg/24hr)	Current milk volume (ml) frequency and type	Current enteral volume (ml/kg/24hr)	Proposed volume change	Other info, (eg, recent weight, urinary Na, direct bili, current infection concerns)
Day of	Not working yet	NBM as per surgeons	n/a	n/a	
surgery					
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					Weight
8					
9					



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10					
11					
12					
13					
14					Weight
15					
16					
17					
18					
19					
20					
21					Weight
22					
23					
24					
25					
26					
27					Weight
28					If still on PN discuss with GI team
29					
30					
31					
32					
33					
34					
35					Weight