

Department of Pediatric Newborn Medicine

Dear Parent,

In the event you are worried that your infant's NG tube is out of its usual place, or you are concerned about your baby's ability to safely feed, and you need to talk to a health care provider who does not know your child's history, please tell that provider the following information:

- I am calling about an issue with my baby's NG tube.
- My baby is a former preterm baby born at *** weeks of gestation.
- He/ she was cared for at the NICU at Brigham and Women's Hospital, and was discharged home on (date).
- He/ she was discharged home with a NG tube in place.
- The NG has come out OR I am worried that the NG is not in the right place.

ORAL FEEDING

- My baby takes some feeds by mouth.
- He/ she had feeding difficulties with documented aspiration risk.
- In the NICU, my baby had a Modified Barium Swallow (MBS) test, and my baby was put on the following plan:
 - o Liquid: Thin/ thickened (1/2 nectar thick)/ thickened (nectar thick)
 - Bottle nipple: Ultra preemie/ Preemie/ Level 1
 - Position: Upright/ side-lying
- My baby takes approximately 50% by mouth.
- The last time my baby fed was (time)
- In the last 24hrs by baby has taken (volume).

FEEDS

- My baby has the following feed:
- Breast milk / Formula
- Their feeds are 20/22/24/26/28 calories per oz

NG TUBE

- The NG tube is (type)
- The size is (number) French
- The tube is taped at (number) cm

Should a health care provider require further clarification about your baby's NICU course or discharge feeding plan, please encourage them to contact the Neonatologist at Brigham and Women's Hospital NICU by calling (617) 732-5420. Thank you.

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