

## FORMULA FOR FAMILIES WHO DO NOT QUALIFY FOR WIC

- If going home with some tube feeds, contact discharge coordinator, as home enteral tube company may supply feed for gavage feeds
- If feed given by mouth needs to be different to that given via tube, this is generally not covered by home enteral tube company
  
- Insurance may or may not accept responsibility for providing support for special formula
- Request “Enfamil AR”
  - “BRAND SUBSTITUTION NOT APPROPRIATE” must be overtly stated on form, or patient may receive Similac Spit-Up, which is not same thickness
- If required, request “ready-to-feed” (vs “powder”)
  - Enfamil AR powder + water is thicker and more gritty than Enfamil AR ready-to-feed
  - Ready-to-feed is generally only used when infant has shown they cannot drink formula made from powder+ water
  - Powder is easier to access and cheaper, but not tolerated by all
  - Ready to feed only comes in 20kcal/oz (No easy way to fortify this in the community)
  - Powder can be made to 20kcal/oz (as per can) or higher concentration (e.g. 24kcal/oz) (Dietician to provide recipe)
- Relevant ICD codes: (include all that are relevant)
  - R13.12 Oropharyngeal dysphagia
  - P24.31 Documented aspiration
  - K21.9 Gastroesophageal reflux