New Tube Feeding Connectors

June 24, 2014
Learning Objectives

1. Explain why new tube feeding connectors are needed at home
2. Outline timeline & transition plan for new connectors
3. Hands on experience with manufacturers and the new connectors
New Standards for Small Bore Connectors

Global Portable

Misconnections

Safety Better Connection
The Challenge…Connecting a System Designed Not to Connect

**CURRENT**

- **Male** Stepped or “Christmas Tree” Connector from Administration Set
- **Female** Feeding Tube Port

**NEW**

- **Male** ENFit Connector from Administration Set
- **Female** ENFit Connector for Feeding Tube
ENFit Transition Connector

Current
Female ENFit Connector from Administration Set

Temporary Transition
Transition Connector

NEW
Female Feeding Tube Port
US Enteral Patient Access
Estimated Launch Timelines

**ENFit Connector Transition**

- **Transition Set Launch**
- **New Syringe Launch**
- **Launch ISO Tubes**
- **Transition Set Rampdown**

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ENFit Transition Connector

• Allows fitment to current feeding ports until new enteral feeding tubes are available.

• Available Q4 2014 in all administration set.

• Used during year of transition.
Enteral Syringes with ENFit Connectors

- Syringes to administer medicine, flushes, supplemental hydration, or bolus feeding through the enteral tubes.
- Will now require this Enteral Specific syringe with ENFit female connector
- Oral, Luer or cath-tip syringe will no longer fit
- Available Q1 - 2015
**ENFit Feeding Tube**

- Reversed orientation from female to male port
- Locking & forcing function features
- All enteral and multi-purpose ports must have ENFit connector
- Available Q2 2015
Stay Connected Communications Initiative

• Global communications program to introduce new standard connectors
• An effort to improve patient safety by reducing the risk of medical device tubing misconnections
• Four phases—Aware, Prepare, Adopt & Measure to facilitate the transition
• Starting in 2014 with enteral devices
• Introduce new standard connectors for other delivery systems including neuraxial, and respiratory applications
• www.StayConnected2014.org
Stay Connected Partnership of Industry, Supply Chain, Clinician & Patient

Developed by Global Enteral Device Supplier Association (GEDSA) in partnership with experts from leading industry organizations
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Stay Connected

What you can do:

• Spread the word
• Stay informed
• Sign Up for email updates at stayconnected2014.org
Stay Connected
PREPARE

What you can do:
• Use current products as usual
• Use as directed
• Do not hoard
Stay Connected
ADOPT

What you can do:

- Use all remaining current products before starting to use new connectors
- Use Transition Connector
- Replace feeding tubes when according to medical necessity,
- Do not replace just for new connector
Stay Connected - Enteral US, Canada & PR Timeline

Four Phased Approach

AWARE
Now thru Summer 2014

PREPARE
Fall 2014/Winter 2015

ADOPT
2015
Summary

• Become a champion for change

• Spread the word

• Stay Connected - Go to www.StayConnected2014.org

• Adopt the new connectors
Resources Now

• FAQs, Brochures, Articles, References and Other Resources at:  www.StayConnected2014.org

• EN Safety Campaign: A.S.P.E.N website: www.nutritioncare.org/ENToolkit

• AAMI website:  
  http://www.aami.org/hottopics/connectors/index.html

• FDA Website:  
  http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/Safety/AlertsandNotices/TubingandLuerMisconnections/default.htm
Questions?
Wrap-up

• Thanks for your attention and participation

• Visit manufacturers to address your product specific questions

• Visit us in the Expo Hall as well as all our member manufacturers

Thank you again!