MIC* Gastrostomy Tubes



Similar to the balloon button gastrostomy, Mic G tubes are designed to last several months. There is no urgency to have it changed back to a button.

If you have any concerns about the Mic G tube or wish to have it replaced by a balloon button please call PEG clinic (9345 5673) or email (peg.nurse@rch.org.au) when convenient and an appointment can be arranged.

Care of tube

Mic G tubes differ from buttons as they have 3 ports; a balloon inflation port, an ENFit® feeding port and an ENFit® medication port. Extension tubes are **not** required.

They have an external disc, (similar to the initial PEG that your child may have had in the beginning). There should normally be a 2-3 mm distance between the skin and the external retention device.

Like the balloon button tubes, Mic G tubes are also held in place by an internal retention balloon which rests against the inside of the stomach wall. The maximum fill volume of the balloon is printed on the balloon inflation port.

Care of the Mic G balloon tube is the same as all tubes;

- Ensure you clean the site daily by incorporating into your daily bath/shower routine
- Once a day gently rotate the tube 360° and pull it gently back out of the stoma until you feel resistance of the internal balloon against the stomach wall.
- Flush the tube after each feed or medication administration.
- Keep the area around the tube as dry as possible. Apply a barrier cream and dressing if there is leakage/ooze from the stoma to protect the surrounding skin
- Contact PEG clinic with any concerns

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