# Get ready for the new ENFit connector Transition Checklist for Patients and Caregivers

A new design standard for enteral nutrition tubing connectors is on its way. The new ENFit connector has been designed specifically for enteral nutrition products. These connectors will not fit into other types of ports (such as IV ports), reducing the possibility of misconnections.

This global patient safety initiative starts in the US, Canada, and Puerto Rico. The goal is to completely transition to the new connector in these areas by 2016.

The checklist below is not intended to be a complete guide, but you can use it to help you get started. Your home health supplier will be an important source of support in helping you get comfortable with the new connectors. Work with your representative throughout the transition process to address any questions or concerns.

### 1. Learn about the products that are changing



Visit StayConnected2014.org for details about the transition



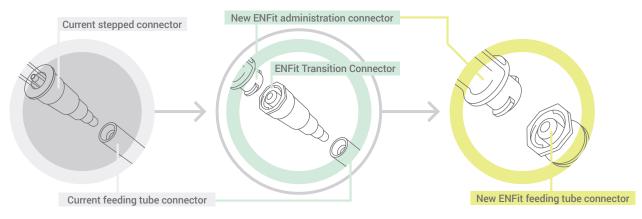
Talk to your home health supplier about changes in the products you use



Get trained on how to use the new connectors

### 2. Understand the transition to the new connectors

The first transition sets will be introduced in the US, Canada, and Puerto Rico in the fall of 2014. Speak to your home health supplier for specific dates about the products you use.



#### CURRENT FEEDING TUBE

Today the current connector has a stepped or Christmas tree end that plugs into the feeding tube.

#### TEMPORARY TRANSITION SET

The transition sets will have the new ENFit connector and a temporary transition connector to allow it to fit with current feeding tubes.

#### FINAL FEEDING TUBE

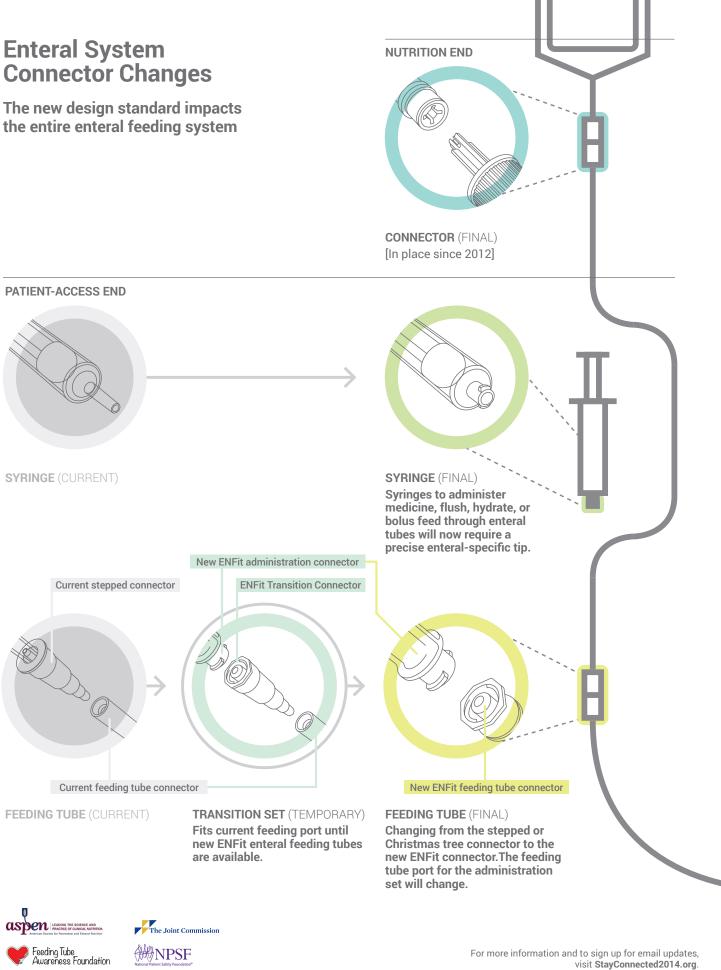
When the feeding tube port for the administration set changes, the transition connector will not be needed. The new connector will twist and lock into place.

## 3. Have the right products on hand

- Use up existing products and do not buy more than you need
- Transition as soon as possible
- Use the products only as directed

Get more information on the new ENFit connector transition at **StayConnected2014.org**.

Access free tube feeding resources and support through The Oley Foundation www.oley.org, 800-776-6539 or Feeding Tube Awareness Foundation www.feedingtubeawareness.org.







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