

COMPARISON MATRIX: Current System vs. ENFit

	Current catheter tip syringe and tube connectors	ENFit	Discussion	Voting position
Inner diameter	Large	Small	ENFit is too small. Slows gravity feeding delivery rate. Will not accept home blenderized food. Many patients cannot tolerate commercial formula. Male patient side connector prone to clogging from crushed medications and food. Difficult with current system so will be more difficult with ENFit small 2.95mm I.D.	Vote NO
Misconnection	Where's the misconnection data since 2011? Does not connect with adult Shiley trach tubes. Does not connect with rigid IV luers.	Unsafely connects with: 1) adult Shiley trach tubes. 2) certain rigid IV luer slip ports. 3) vascular needle cannulas.	ENFit allows potentially fatal misconnections. Presents a distinct risk to patients	Vote NO
Unsafe dead space syringe	NO No risk to infants.	YES Distinct risk to infants.	ENFit allows potentially fatal overdosing of medications in infant population.	Vote NO
Large 7mm deep by 1.5mm wide recessed crevice	NO Smooth laminar patient side connector.	YES Large crevice. Difficult to access. Difficult to clean.	ENFit design permits stomach contents and formula to accumulate in large crevice area, creating a potential breeding ground for bacteria and viruses.	Vote NO
Graspability of connectors	Easy	Difficult. Connector is too small to grasp and manage easily.	ENFit is difficult if not impossible for dexterity challenged, including arthritics.	Vote NO
Number of hands needed to make connections	One hand	Two hands	Many at-home tube feeders have severely limited use of hands. Will not be able to feed themselves using ENFit.	Vote NO
Decades of user satisfaction	YES	NO No end user performance testing of ENFit.	Female delivery set is cracking off into male transition piece, potentially allowing bits and pieces to enter tube. Design is questionable.	Vote NO
Overwhelming advantage to users	YES	NO Only disadvantages.	ENFit is a vastly inferior system from the user perspective compared to the current system.	Vote NO
Purported intent of ENFit	---	To be a safer system than current system.	ENFit is not safer than current system.	Vote NO

Is there any reason to vote for adoption of ENFit?

NO