# Documentation – Newborn Feeding

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**This Quick Reference Guide will explain how to:**
Document newborn Feeding, including: Breast feeding, Suck feeding, tube feeding
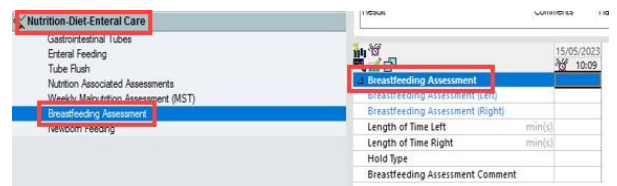
**Definitions:**
Suck Feed – Feeding via a bottle/oral feed
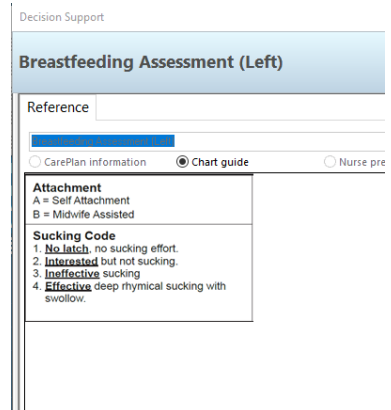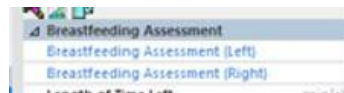Tube Feeding – any feed administered to a newborn via a gastrointestinal tube

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## Documenting a Breast Feed

1. Within the patient's chart, navigate to **iView** > **Nutrition-Diet-Enteral Care** > **Breastfeeding Assessment**

   For a baby on the postnatal ward, this will be found in the **PNW Neonate Quick Vie**w band

2. Complete sections as appropriate for the patient. If assistance is needed for understanding breastfeeding codes, click on either **Breastfeeding Assessment (Left) or (right)** to open reference text

## Documenting a suck feed

1. Within the patient's chart, navigate **to iView** > **Nutrition-Diet-Enteral Care** > **Newborn Feeding.**
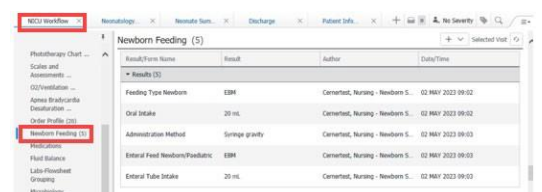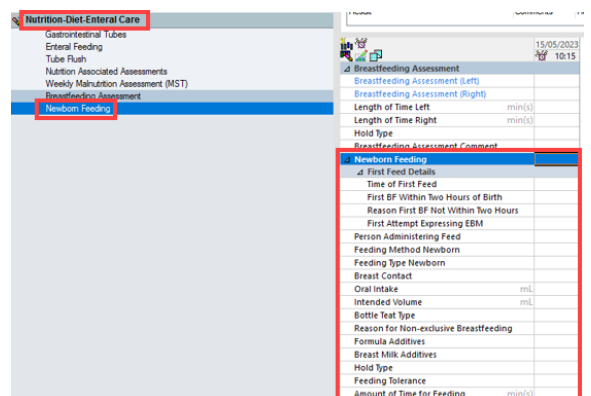
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   Complete appropriate sections for the patient.
   Click green tick to save.

   Volume entered into **oral intake** will copy into the Fluid Balance Chart.

   **Intended Intake** assists with monitoring how well a baby is transitioning from tube feeds t o full suck feeds. This value **will NOT** commit to the **Fluid Balance.**
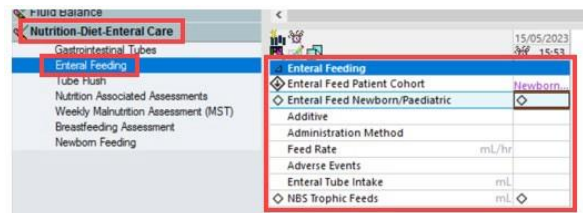
2. Navigate to the **NICU Workflow mPage** and scroll to the **Newborn Feeding** component. Here you can view the most recently documented feed for the baby.

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## Documenting a tube feed

1. Within the patient's chart, navigate **to iView** > **Nutrition-Diet-Enteral Care** > **Enteral Feeding**



2. Ensure to select **Newborn/Paediatric** in the **Enteral Feed Patient Cohort.** This will open up the correct data points for the patient group. Complete documentation as appropriate for the baby.

   The volumes documented here under **Enteral Tube Intake** will commit to the **Fluid Balance Chart**.

   Volume documented in **NBS Trophic feeds will NOT** commit to the **Fluid Balance Chart.**

## Reviewing the Fluid Balance Chart

1. Navigate to **iView** > **Fluid Balance Chart** > **Intake** > **Oral** and **intake** > **Enteral** sections

   This information can also be seen from the Fluid Balance component on the mPage.

   Note that **breastfeeding does not** appear on the Fluid balance chart as no volumes can be populated.

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