

RED-FLAG SIGNS

Significant abdominal distention (≥ 2cm from baseline)

Tender, firm or discolored abdomen

Bilious emesis

Mild abdominal distention (< 2 cm from baseline) Emesis of > 50% of the feeding volume Multiple feeding-related apnea/bradycardia/desaturation

Bilious or dark green aspirates Discretion as per MD with a specific reason Hypoactive/absent bowel sounds Blood in stool (grossly visible and no anal fissures) Hemodynamic instability, lethargy Persistent nonspecific signs Discretion as per MD with a specific reason Decrease feeds by 40ml/kg/day or by 50% whichever is greater * Persistent nonspecific signs x 2 consecutive assessments Decrease feeds to MEFs (20ml/kg/day)* Persistent nonspecific signs x 2 consecutive assessments NPO Persistent nonspecific signs x 2 consecutive assessments IVF Keep NPO* Work Up and appropriate treatment Restart feeds when clear

*Assess infant every 3 hours for improvement

Catch Up feedings: Advance feeds by 20ml/kg/day every other feed if improvement seen

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