Reducing the Risk of Medical Device Tubing Misconnections

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Learning Objectives

Review background of Tubing Misconnections issue

 Explain why new small bore connector design standards are needed

 Describe challenges with dose accuracy of low doses (< 2.0mL) and the ENFit Low Dose Tip Syringe Solution

 Review timeline needed to effectively implement and transition new connector design

Your speakers today



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TUBING MISCONNECTIONS: A PREVENTABLE ERROR AND AVOIDABLE FATALITY

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Disclosure

I have no commercial financial relationships to disclose.

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Central Venous Catheter



Gastrostomy Tube

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Arterial Catheter

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IV tubing connected

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Connector for NGT (feeding tube)







Background to 2005



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How many systems have universally fitting Luer connectors ?

- Intrathecal systems
- Gastrointestinal
- Genitourinary
- Orainage systems
- Cardiovascular
 - Arterial
 - Hemodynamic
 - Venous

- Oriving gases
 - Pneumatic compression boots
 - Automatic Non invasive blood pressure
- Intravenous systems
- Respiratory systems
 - Ventilators
 - Breathing treatments

Tubing Misconnections: Normalization of Deviance

Case reports

N =116 Adult (N=60) Child/infant (N=30) Not Specified (NS) (N=26)

Patient Outcome from 116 cases

Death (N=21) Survival: Hypersensitivity and Hypercoagulopathy reaction (N=1) Septicemia/sepsis (N=16): 2 with neurologic damage 2 with respiratory arrest 33 with hypoxia 1 with seizure & hypoglycemia 5 with intracranial hemorrhage Renal impairment (N=8) Respiratory arrest/distress (not listed above) (N=2) Neurologic damage (not listed above) (N=2), 1 with blindness & deafness No harm, or outcome not given (N=12)

Connecting Tubing - a high-risk activity

- Infusion and monitoring systems in healthcare are physiologically not compatible
- Infusion systems rely upon a single, universal connector - the luer tip connector
- Routine tasks such as connecting tubing are at risk for "automatic mode errors"
- Healthcare is not designed for safety



Human Factors: Error Modes

Automatic Mode
Slips
Lapses

Non Automatic ModeMistakes



Automatic Mode:

<u>Slips</u> - errors that occur during familiar actions and are governed by familiar impulses incorrect execution of a planned action occur when you automatically do something that you didn't mean to do



Human Factors Issue

- In "automatic mode" errors are made without the participants knowledge
 - Locking the keys in the car
 - Dialing the wrong number
 - Putting the milk in the cabinet and cereal in the refrigerator



Automatic Mode Errors

- Are effortless and rapid
- Are failures of actions going as intended
- Occur in common and familiar functions in familiar surroundings
- Thinking is under "attentional control" we only pay attention when there is a change
- Are usually not detected by the participant

Reason 1990

Examples of Slips with Redesign in Healthcare

- Free flow intravenous tubing
- Needle-less systems
- Ouble checks





Error is Inevitable Because of Human Limitations

- Limited memory capacity
- Limited mental processing capacity
- Negative effects of stress Tunnel vision
- Negative influence of fatigue and other physiological factors
- Limited ability to multitask
- Flawed teamwork

The New York Times

MONEY & POLICY

U.S. Inaction Lets Look-Alike Tubes Kill Patients

By GARDINER HARRIS AUG. 20, 2010

http://www.nytimes.com/2010/08/21/health/ policy/21tubes.html? r=0 retrieved March 1, 2016



Johannah Back of Las Vegas, with her daughter, Chloe, who almost died in 2006 in a mix-up of feeding and intravenous tubes. John Locher for The New York Times



The Facts

- We know without a doubt this is a safety hazard to patient death
- We know it is present in almost every healthcare setting
- Every major safety organization has supported this change
- We have been aware of this for over ten years
- We have not changed it in the healthcare setting to date
- People are still dying from this error
- It is past time to fix this
- We live with what we tolerate



Examine what you tolerate



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MISSION

Promote initiatives surrounding safe and optimal delivery of enteral feeding and connectivity

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Feeding Tube Awareness Foundation



Novation



Ineffective Attempts Demanded a Comprehensive Solution

<u>2006</u>

WHO recognized this as a Global public health issue and requested to ISO for an industry standard.

The Joint Commission issued a Sentinal Alert Initiating the ISO standard, CA legislation & public outcry for change



A Global Effort to Enhance Patient Safety

Technical Experts

ISO 80369

Small-bore connectors

Clinical Experts Regulatory/ Standards Experts

> Stay Connected 2015

ISO Design standards developed for system-specific applications

80369 Series

-1 General requirements



Requirements:

- Not connectable with others in series
- Rigid or semi-rigid
- Passes Misconnection, Risk Analysis, Usability/Human Factors Testing
- Not connectable with Luer or needleless connector ports



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ISO Connector Dimension Allocation Diagram





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Significant Testing Conducted to Verify & Validate Enteral Standard Design

Testing & Assessments

- Clinical Assessment
 - 20 Clinicians (Physicians, Nurses, Pharmacists)
- Usability/Human Factors
 - 53 US Clinicians (including 15 NICU)
- Misconnections Assessment
- Syringe Accuracy Report
- User Survey 35 respondents in 3 European mkts
- Acceptability and Suitability Study
 - 48 Clinicians (including neonatologists in 6 European Markets
- Reverse orientation usage UK reverse Luer
 - Millions of patients over nearly 10 years





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Design standards for system-specific applications start with enteral

ENFit[™]

80369-3



Introducing ENFit, the proposed new ISO 80369-3 design standard connector

CURRENT

<u>Male</u> Stepped or "Christmas Tree" Connector from Administration Set

> Feeding Tube Port





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TRANSITION SET ENFit Transition Connector

- Temporary fitment
- From new ENFit connector to current feeding port

Check with your supplier regarding Transition Connectors from ENLock to ENFit



GOAL: Eliminate the Long Term Need for adapters

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ADMINISTRATION SET

From Male Stepped Connector to Female ENFit:

- Pump Set
- Gravity Set
- Other Bolus Feed or Venting Devices

FEEDING TUBE

From Female Flexible Port to Male ENFit:

- NG Tubes
- G Tubes
- Low-Profile Extension Sets

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J-Tubes

SYRINGES

From oral, catheter, or Luer tip to enteral-specific fitment:

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- Administer Medicine
- Flush
- Hydrate
- Bolus Feed

Dose Accuracy Concerns

- Clinicians:
 - Clinicians have raised concerns on dosing accuracy of small volume ENFit[®] syringes, due to their reverse gender orientation
 - Clinicians and pharmacists indicated dosing accuracy expectation of ± 10% a target volume of 0.2 mL (when delivered using a 1 mL syringe)
- Industry:
 - There is no current standard (ISO, AAMI, ASTM, EN) dosing accuracy requirement or specification for oral/enteral syringes
 - Dosing accuracy is not a standard test performed by syringe manufacturers, therefore no baseline data exists for comparison

Dosing Accuracy Testing

- Performance Testing conducted by an independent external test lab
- Syringes with maximum volume of 5 mL and below may require a "low dose tip" ENFit[®] connector design to satisfy the dosing accuracy target
- GEDSA members collaborated to evaluate the following syringes to deliver an accurate dose level within +/-10% for small doses:
 - Existing enteral/oral (male tip)
 - Female Luer lock (reverse system used in the UK)
 - Proprietary syringes currently marketed
 - Standard ENFit tip
 - Proposed ENFit Low Dose Tip

Dose Accuracy of Common Enteral/Oral Tip Syringes

% Dose Accuracy (95% CI)



Note: Target is ±10% of a 0.2mL dose delivered in a 1mL syringe.

Proposed ENFit[®] Low Dose Tip Syringe

- The ENFit Low Dose Tip (LDT) Syringe was designed to specifically address dose accuracy concerns.
 - Design proposed for inclusion into ISO 20695 enteral device standards
- LDT is: Standard ENFit female syringe tip with an internal tip lumen.
 - Mimics functionality of traditional male oral/enteral syringe designs
- Orientation/configuration is similar to Luer lock syringes*





Dose Accuracy of ENFit[®] Low Dose Tip vs. Common Enteral/Oral Tip Syringes

% Dose Accuracy (95% CI)



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Dosing Accuracy Summary All Test Sizes of Low Dose Syringes (1, 3, 6mL)



As syringe size and target dose increase, the dosing accuracy improves because the displacement as a proportion of the target dose decreases.

Usability Testing Top Level Summary

- 150+ respondents worldwide representing pharmacy, nursing and caregivers testing the ENFit[®] LDT vs. current practice
- No significant differences for syringe use when water or a thicker liquid (pepto bismol) was filled and administered
- No significant difference for syringe use between responses of Pharmacist, Nurses, or Caregivers
- No significant difference for syringe use when filling from a dose cup when:
 - Capping
 - Doing nothing
 - Wiping the syringe tip or
 - Tapping the syringe tip

Best Practices

- Removal of Residual Fluid
 - The LDT male lumen behaves similarly to the male nozzle on a standard (male) syringe.
 - LDT syringes, like standard syringes, should be tapped/flicked/wiped in order to remove fluid



- Method of filling the syringe (cup fill vs straw/adapter fill)
 - Straw/adapter fill method is more accurate than cup fill method due to less potential for residual fluid on syringe to transfer to feeding tube.
- Depending on orientation of syringe and feeding tube during filling and disconnection excess fluid may flow:
 - Toward syringe creating residual fluid on syringe that can transfer to the feeding tube.
 - Into the feeding tube or fluid may flow back out of feeding tube.

Low Dose ENFit[®] Syringe Conclusion

Performance Test Results (when used as instructed):

- Dose Accuracy range of -2.90% to +10.47% (95% Cl)
- Substantially equivalent to standard orientation (male) enteral/oral syringes
- Performs better than Reverse Orientation (female tip) syringes.
- Use of an adaptor (such as a straw) provides better performance than a cup fill

Misconnection Risk Assessment:

The ENFit Low Dose Tip mitigates the risk of inadvertent tubing misconnections and provides a clinical benefit that outweighs the risk of its use.

Usability:

No significant difference vs. current practice when filling or administering different viscosity fluids or between respondents (Pharmacist, Nurses, or Caregivers)

Note: Further consideration will need to be given to training and awareness relative to flicking and the benefits of draw up devices

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October 2015

Dear Valued Customer,

Important Update Regarding the Availability of ENFit[™] Connectors

Over the past several months, BD has been working closely with the healthcare community to better understand these concerns and to share them with the broader industry. However, due to fundamental differences in the approach to delivering a safe ENFit[™] solution that works for all patients groups, BD has withdrawn from the Global Enteral Device Suppliers Association (GEDSA), effective September 19, 2015.

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BD will continue to supply the BD UniVia[™] Oral/Enteral syringes to hospitals around the world. The BD UniVia[™] Oral/Enteral syringes do not connect to Luer devices and comply with U.S. medical device regulations.

BD will continue to work with the clincal community and the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) to find a data driven solution not only to address the low dose concerns but also to ensure a safe and reliable syringe, while remaining within the upcoming ISO 80369-3 standard.

Please Contact your loca NBD representative should you have questions regarding this matter.

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Medtronic

This letter is to provide you with an update on the transition of Medtronic's enteral feeding products to the ISO 80369-3 universal standard. Medtronic has been a member of the trade association formed to assist industry with creating and implementing this standard – the Global Enteral Device Supplier Association (GEDSA) – since its inception in 2013 and we fully support the ENFit™ standard adopted by the overwhelming majority of GEDSA's members.

The clinical community has voiced its concerns regarding the potential impact the current design may have with respect to low dose administration of medication. In response to these issues, GEDSA has identified a solution that it believes will eliminate the risk of improper dosing. The specifications of, and access to the intellectual property rights to, this design have been provided to GEDSA's members. Medtronic is actively working with other GEDSA members and is in communication with the FDA in preparation for this solution.

As you may be aware, Becton, Dickinson, and Company (BD), the largest syringe provider in the U.S., has recently withdrawn its membership from GEDSA over what it says are "fundamental differences in the approach to delivering a safe ENFIT[™] solution that works for all patients [sic] groups." BD has publicly computing the basic ENFIT[™] connection but it has not publically disclosed, to our

Accordingly, for the reasons outlined above, Medtronic, despite having ENFit[™] products available in the first calendar quarter of 2016, will be delaying the launch of our ENFit[™] syringes and access devices until syringe manufacturers will be able to produce sufficient quantities of ENFit[™] syringes to meet market demand.

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Medtronic looks forward to taking a leadership role to ensure that patient safety remains the top priority for the industry. The third tenet of Medtronic's Mission is **"To strive without reserve for the greatest possible reliability and quality in our products; to be the unsurpassed standard of comparison and to be recognized as a company of dedication, honesty, integrity, and service."** This is a responsibility we take very seriously and one that guides every decision we make with respect to our products. Accordingly, we will continue to monitor these issues and work to address any additional concerns that come to our attention.

A Gradual Transition Designed to Prevent Disruption

Key dates for US, Canada, Puerto Rico



Q1 2015 Administration Sets with ENFit female connector and ENFit Transition Connector



1st Half 2016

Enteral-specific syringes with ENFit female connector

1st Half 2016

Feeding tubes with ENFit male connector

Pending FDA 510(k) clearance

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Recommendations

• Work with your Enteral Feeding Device Suppliers:

- Understand their specific ENFit Transition Timing for all enteral tubes and syringes
- Verify ability to meet your demand
- Find a back-up Plan
- Syringes:
 - 1 & 3mL Syringes should have a Low Dose Tip (5mL depending on supplier and facility needs)
 - 6mL and above should not have a Low Dose Tip
 - Verify adequate supply to meet facilities demand and home bound patient at discharge prior to ENFit tube placement

QUESTIONS?