

Check Your Knowledge

QUESTION 1

Which of these statements about enteral feeding tubes is TRUE?

- A. A jejunostomy tube feeds nutrition directly into the stomach.
- B. A gastric button lies flat on the surface of the abdomen.
- C. A percutaneous gastrostomy tube can be reinserted if necessary at home.
- D. A gastrostomy tube feeds nutrition directly into the small intestine.

QUESTION 2

What type of syringe should you use when flushing and feeding through the tube?

- A. A 30 or 60 mL syringe
- B. A 5 mL syringe
- C. A 10 mL syringe
- D. None of the above

QUESTION 3

Which of these statements is NOT TRUE when you are giving tube feedings?

- A. You need to cover and refrigerate all unused open containers or prepared feeding solutions.
- B. Feeding solution from a container can hang for 8 hours.
- C. You should microwave or boil a feeding solution before it is given.
- D. Feeding solution that is mixed with water, powder, or breast milk can be hung for 4 hours.

QUESTION 4

Which of these statements about enteral feedings is TRUE?

- A. An infant, child, or adult needs to remain upright for 10 minutes after the feeding.
- B. When the feeding is finished, just clamp the tube and leave the feeding set in place.
- C. When the feeding is finished, always pour water into the syringe or flush the feeding tube or extension set with the recommended amount of water.
- D. When the feeding is finished, disconnect the feeding set and wash in the dishwasher.

Answers:

Question 1 – B

Question 3 – C

Question 2 – A

Question 4 – C