

COVID-19

Enteral Feeding-Dale ACE® Connector Job Aid

Due to current supply constraints with enteral Y-site connectors, we will be transitioning to the Dale Legacy ACE® connector to maintain a closed enteral feeding system and support 48- hour use of enteral formula and tubing.

ON/OFF Handle:

“ON” position for feeding (on position shown) “OFF” position for irrigation, residual check, and medication administration

Proximal End: Connects to enteral feeding tube set from the pump. **For 48-hour use, do not disconnect feeding set from connector.**

Syringe Port: Insert 60 ml catheter tip (piston) syringe for flushes, residual check, and medication administration. See illustration below.

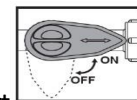


Distal End: Connects to the patient’s nasogastric tube (NGT), small bore feeding tube, or percutaneous enteral gastric (PEG) tube.



To administer medications or water flushes with the Dale Ace Connector®:

- Stop the enteral feeding pump,
- Place the Dale ACE Connector® handle into the off position,
- Disinfect port. Insert syringe tip into self-sealing port,
- Push and twist the syringe until tight,
- Administer medication or flush,
- Return connector handle to the on position and restart the pump.



Dale Ace Connector demonstration videos can be accessed at:
<https://www.dalemed.com/product/ace-connector/>