

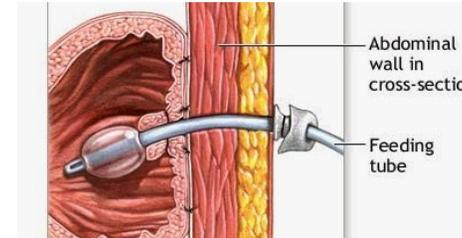
Nutritional Needs

Enteral Nutrition (EN) - Tubing Feeding

Gastrostomy or Jejunostomy or Nasal

Parenteral Nutrition = PN (TPN) Administered through a PICC or Central line. It is used when the GI tract cannot be used for ingestion, digestion and absorption of nutrients.

- PN is high in glucose content.
- Ordered daily to adjust to the needs of the patient
- Nothing should be administered in the same tubing as the PN
- Solution is good for 24 hours



Possible Complications

Refer to Table 39-11 on page 866 for Nursing Management

1. Infection
2. Dislodgment
3. Occlusion
4. Hyper or Hypoglycemia due to the glucose level in the solution

These would be due to the site of adm- PICC or CL

Nursing Interventions

- Monitor Glucose level q 4-6 with a sliding scale
- Never allow the solution to run dry
- Care of the IV site