



# PEDIATRIC FEEDING TUBE COMPLICATIONS



## Escambia County, Florida - ALS/BLS Medical Protocol

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Feeding tubes are indicated for administration of nutritional supplements and in patients that have an inability to swallow.

Types of feeding tubes include: nasogastric tube (temporary) and gastrostomy tubes (G tube).

Types of G tubes include those that are surgically placed, percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy tubes, PEG tubes, and jejunal tubes (J-tube).

Complications include: leaks, bleeding around the site, and displacement of the tube.

### Supportive Care

1. [Medical Supportive Care Protocol](#).
2. If catheter is completely out, apply direct pressure to site.
3. If there is bleeding at the site, apply direct pressure.

### ALS Level 1

None

### ALS Level 2 *(Physician Authorization Required)*

None



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