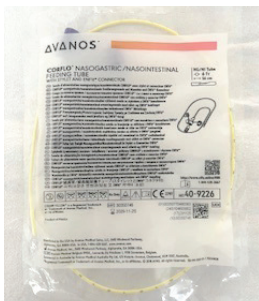


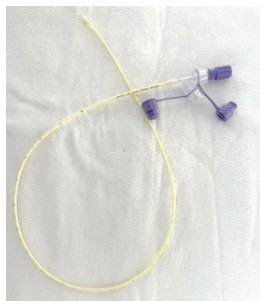
# Tips Regarding NG Tubes

## Please read the following important considerations related to NG tube care.

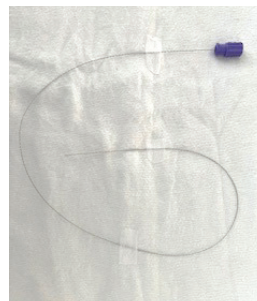
- Avoid placing an NG tube right after a feed.
- It is recommended, if possible, to have a second person assist while performing any NG tube care.
- Nasogastric tubes come in various lengths measured in “French Scale.” You will see this abbreviated as F or Fr. (For example: 6.5F, 8F, 10F). Your child’s provider will select the correct size NG tube for them and tell you which one to use.
- Prior to placing or replacing an NG tube, inspect all supplies. If a product is expired, defective, or has compromised integrity, **DO NOT USE IT.**
- For tubes that have a stylet (metal guidewire):
  - Before using it, make sure the stylet is not poking through the end of the tube and can be easily removed when the time comes.
  - Prior to placing a new NG tube, never take the stylet all the way out of the tube when you are inspecting it.
- See below photos of what an NG tube with a stylet might look like:



**1.** The package labeling will specify if the NG tube has a stylet.



**2.** A styleted tube will have a small cap or end (in this photo it is purple) from which you will eventually remove the stylet after proper placement is confirmed.



**3.** Stylet removed from NG tube.

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