

# MNI & GEDSA support ISO standard on the design and testing of enteral feeding systems

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MNI, the Medical Nutrition International Industry, and GEDSA, the Global Enteral Device Supplier Association, support the draft ISO 20695 standard on the design and testing of enteral feeding systems and invite national standardization bodies to adopt the ISO 20695 standard in the final vote for publication.

Léa Coulet – MNI Executive Director said: "The adoption of the standard is a much-needed landmark. It will provide a unique set of rules at global level for enteral feedings devices and will strengthen safety of patients by minimizing the risk of misconnections between enteral feeding systems and devices for other medical applications."

Mike Cusack – GEDSA Executive Director added: "The ISO 20695 standard reflects current practice in the market, as compliant connectors are already implemented in most of the European countries and are being increasingly deployed around the globe."

Significant efforts have already been made to promote adoption and implementation of this standard. In anticipation of the standard adoption, various stakeholders - including clinicians and enteral device manufacturers - have launched a campaign to promote the implementation of the connection system worldwide: <a href="stayconnected.org">stayconnected.org</a>.

## You can find the MNI-GEDSA joint position paper here.

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Further information on enteral feeding can be found on MNI website:

- <a href="https://medicalnutritionindustry.com/medical-nutrition/about-medical-nutrition/enteral-tube-feeding/">https://medicalnutritionindustry.com/medical-nutrition/about-medical-nutrition/enteral-tube-feeding/</a>
- <a href="https://medicalnutritionindustry.com/medical-nutrition/medical-nutrition-dossier/">https://medicalnutritionindustry.com/medical-nutrition/medical-nutrition-dossier/</a>

Further information on enteral feeding systems can be found on the GEDSA website:

- <a href="http://stayconnected.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/GEDSA-ENFit-LDT-Research-Poster.pdf">http://stayconnected.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/GEDSA-ENFit-LDT-Research-Poster.pdf</a>
- <a href="http://stayconnected.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/medication-administration-poster.pdf">http://stayconnected.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/medication-administration-poster.pdf</a>
- http://stayconnected.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/GEDSA-Low-Dose-Tip-position-statement-817-FINAL.pdf

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### About MNI:

MNI – the Medical Nutrition International Industry association – is the voice of the medical nutrition industry at international level.

MNI represent companies providing solutions for nutritional therapy: Oral Nutritional Supplements (ONS), Enteral Tube Feeding (enteral nutrition via the gastrointestinal tract), and Parenteral Nutrition (intravenous feeding) - as well as other actors operating in the medical nutrition market, such as ingredients and medical devices for nutritional care.

MNI works to achieve better care through better nutrition, across all ages and healthcare settings.

For more information visit: www.medicalnutritionindustry.com

#### About GEDSA:

The Global Enteral Device Supplier Association (GEDSA) is a 501(c)6 nonprofit trade association formed to help introduce international standards for healthcare tubing connectors. Comprised of manufacturers, distributors, and suppliers of enteral nutrition devices worldwide, GEDSA facilitates information flow about the three-phase initiative, which is designed to increase patient safety and optimal delivery of enteral feeding by reducing the risk of tubing misconnections.

ENFit is a federally registered trademark of GEDSA in multiple jurisdictions throughout the world.

For more information, please visit www.StayConnected.org