



Nestlé Nutrition Institute

Abstract

Nutritional practices in the pediatric intensive care units demonstrate great variation between centres and within centres. Documenting actual practices surrounding enteral nutrition and the establishing reasons for these variations are important first steps to allow intensive care teams to review and potentially revise their enteral feeding practices. The aim of this practice survey study is to determine the current nutrition practices and the perspectives of pediatric intensivists around Asia with regard to nutrition in critically ill children.

The survey focuses on collecting pertinent data with regard to (1) the participant's level of experience and institution characteristics; (2) issues on nutritional assessment and different aspects of enteral and parenteral nutrition (e.g., initiation, volume adaptation, system of administration, types of solutions, prevention and treatment of complications); and (3) barriers to optimal enteral feeding and the perspectives of the intensive care providers about the importance of enteral feeding in the PICU.

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