

Weight faltering pathway

Infant identified as weight faltering according to NICE 2017 Weight Faltering Guidelines <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng75>

HV/FN deliver universal pathway. Full feeding history, relevant medical information, feeding diary, review of weight with length and head circumference. Implement feeding plan

Child possibly medically unwell?

YES

Refer to GP

NO

Is the child breastfed & under 6 months old?

YES

- History taken
- Feed observed
- Care plan implemented
- Plan reviewed

If no improvement contact infant feeding advisor via email. Breastfeeding.Clinic@ggc.scot.nhs.uk BF clinic appointment to be arranged. Also consider GP review

Follow plan from infant feeding team

Any improvement?

NO

YES

Update infant feeding team

Discuss with infant feeding team and consider GP review

Update GNS

Discuss with GNS and consider GP review

Any improvement?

YES

NO

Exclusions – if the child is under review of paediatrics or dietetics (unless GNS review is requested directly from these services)

NO

HV/FN to undertake full assessment and care plan, add significant event for weight faltering and allocate HPI to additional. Complete referral form and feeding diary. Refer to GNS, send task via EMIS http://www.staffnet.ggc.scot.nhs.uk/Applications/EMISWeb/Documents/Community%20Childrens%20Services%20referral%20process%20%20EMIS%20guidance%20%20v22_09_2.pdf

Growth and nutrition service to review referral, feeding diary, care plan & growth data at weekly MDT on Thursday morning and advise referrer on outcome

HV/FN continue to review child's plan and update GNS on progress via EMIS task [C&F Growth & Nutrition Team](#)

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