Cache County School District G-Tube Feeding Bolus Method Protocol

<u>Only staff ANNUALLY trained by A CCSD Nurse can provide the following procedure</u> ALWAYS FOLLOW THE STUDENT'S INDIVIDUALIZED HEALTH CARE PLAN

PROTOCOL
A. Preparation:
1. Identifies student's ability to participate in procedure
2. Review Universal precautions
3. Begins feeding at time ordered as per healthcare provider
4. Administers amount of flush and formula/feeding as per healthcare provider order
5. Completes feeding in the time ordered as per healthcare provider
6. Student positioned for feeding as per healthcare provider order
7. Identifies possible problems and appropriate actions
B. Identifies supplies and gathers equipment
* Gloves
* Formula at room temperature
* 60 cc catheter-tipped feeding syringe, adapter with tubing & clamp
* Tap water (if prescribed) – room temperature
C. Procedure
1. Appropriately clean and prepare g-tube feeding procedure area
2. Position student and explain procedure
3. Wash hands, put on gloves
4. Attach adaptor to feeding syringe without plunger. Pour feeding/fluids into feeding syringe, run feeding
through tubing to the tip and clamp tubing (Priming the tube)
5. Open safety plug on button and attach the adaptor and tubing with feeding syringe to button
6. Unclamp tubing and elevate the feeding syringe above the level of the stomach, allow feeding to go in
slowly. The higher the syringe is held the faster feeding will flow. Lower syringe if the feeding is going too
fast. Refill the syringe before it empties to prevent air from entering stomach
7. Flush the feeding device with ordered amount of water when feeding is complete
8. After flushing, lower the syringe below the stomach level to facilitate burping (venting).
9. Clamp tubing and remove the adaptor with feeding syringe and snap safety plug in place
10. Remove gloves, wash hands
11. Position and activity after feeding as per Individualize Healthcare Plan
12. Wash syringe and other reusable equipment thoroughly; in clean area; allow to air dry
13. Store formula as instructed
14. Document procedure in the approved CCSD documentation system