

Improving Growth of VLBW Babies on Exclusive Human Milk Diet

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Exclusive Human Milk Diet (EHMD) is the safest way to feed Very Low Birth Weight (VLBW) babies but there have been concerns that growth is suboptimal on EHMD. This presentation will discuss strategies for improving growth of VLBW babies on EHMD and the improved short and long term outcomes associated with EHMD.

Objectives: At the conclusion of this activity, the participant will be able to:

ACCME Objectives

- 1. Discuss variables that contribute to improving growth on an exclusive human milk diet including early fortification of enteral feedings.
- 2. List the short term and potential long term benefits of human milk diet on improving health outcomes. <u>CME – ACGME/ABMS Competencies</u> – patient care or procedural skills

ACCME Learning Outcome

Learners will be able to identify and appropriately implement at least one strategy to improve growth of VLBW babies on EHMD.

ANCC Learning Outcomes

- 1. Discuss variables that contribute to improving growth on an exclusive human milk diet including early fortification of enteral feedings.
- 2. Understand the short term and potential long-term benefits of human milk diet on improving health outcomes.

ANCC – IOM Competencies

1. Employ evidence-based practice

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