

IMPROVING THE PRACTICE OF NUTRITION THERAPY IN THE CRITICALLY ILL: AN INTERNATIONAL QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

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NEWSLETTER



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What do I do if I haven't enrolled 20 patients yet?

Stop enrolment now and complete data entry on the patients you have currently enrolled.

You will receive a site report if you have enrolled 8 or more patients which you can use to benchmark your practice. The patients your site has enrolled will contribute to the overall survey results.

What do I do if an enrolled patient hasn't been discharged before the 1st August?

The website will remain open to enable sites to finalise all of their enrolled patients and enter complete day 60 outcome information.

When will we get our site reports?

We anticipate that the site reports will be sent out in October 2008 to all sites that have enrolled 8 or more patients, and finalised all data entry.

1st August Data Entry Deadline

Keep checking the website for updates
<http://www.criticalcarenutrition.com/>

Sites involved in INS 08 are from:

- Australia
- Canada
- China
- France
- India
- Ireland
- Italy
- Japan
- Mexico
- New Zealand
- Portugal
- South Africa
- South America
- Taiwan
- United Kingdom
- USA



Do I need to notify you when I have completed data entry for my site?

No you don't. Once you have completed the data entry and finalised all of your patients, login to your ICU page, select edit ICU information, and check the data entry status box to confirm that you have finalised all of the data.

Be the Best of the Best.

Don't forget the Best of the Best competition. The top performing site will be awarded the 'Best of the Best' plaque by Dr Heyland at the Asia Pacific Critical Care Conference, Sydney or other location (TBA). To be considered for this award, participating ICUs must meet the following criteria:

1. Data entered on a minimum of 20 critically ill patients.
2. Completion of a baseline nutrition assessment (i.e. nutrition prescription).
3. No missing data or outstanding queries.
4. Prepared to permit CCN to source verify the entered data.

In addition to being recognized as being 'Best of the Best' the leader at the winning site will be invited to share their experiences on optimizing nutrition therapy in their ICU to attendees of the Society for Critical Care Medicine's Congress in Nashville, Tennessee in January 2009.

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