

# Guidelines for identifying patients at risk of GI intolerance (Exclusion Criteria # 5)

### Patient not yet challenged with enteral nutrition

(at time of screening)



## At least one of the following risk factors for GI intolerance must be present for the patient to be eligible for the study.

- High Apache II Score (>20)
- On more than 1 vasopressor, or increasing doses of vasopressors
- Receiving continuous infusion of narcotics
- High nasogastric/orogastric output (> 500 mls over 24 hrs)
- Recent surgery involving esophagus, stomach or small bowel OR peritoneal contamination with bowel contents
- Pancreatitis
- Multiple GI investigations
- · Recent history of diarrhea/ C.difficile
- Surgical patients with future OR's planned
- Ruptured or dissected abdominal aortic aneurysm



### **ENROL\*** patient

If all Inclusion Criteria met and no other Exclusion Criteria are met



#### NO

### **DO NOT ENROL\* patient**

Patient meets Exclusion Criteria #5
Absence of all risk factors for
gastrointestinal intolerance