

Weight Faltering Pathway Growth and Nutrition Advisory Service June 2024

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

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

Child possibly medically unwell? **Yes** → Refer to GP

No

Is the child breastfed & under 6 months old? **Yes** → [Action Box]

No

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

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 GNAS, send task via EMIS
[EMIS Referral Process](#)

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

Growth and Nutrition Advisory Service to review referral, feeding diary, care plan & growth data at weekly MDT and advise referrer on outcome

Discuss with Infant Feeding Team and consider GP review

Follow plan from Infant Feeding Team

HV/FN continue to review child's plan and update GNAS on progress via EMIS task: C&F Growth & Nutrition Team

Any improvement? **Yes** → Update Infant Feeding Team

Yes

Update GNAS

No

Any improvement? **No** → Discuss with GNAS and consider GP review

No

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Consider contacting Child Protection Team if concerned

Consider the [Complex Care Needs Protocol](#)