

Breastfeeding the Premie

Getting Ready to Go Home From the NICU



Donor Breast Milk

Donor human milk banks collect, screen, process and distribute milk from volunteer breastfeeding mothers. Donor milk is dispensed by prescription to individuals with medical and/or nutritional needs which require human milk.

Milk is not sold but a processing fee is charged on a per ounce basis (\$2.50/oz)

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Donor milk offers all the benefits of human milk, such as easy digestibility and immune substances to protect against disease. Human milk contains growth factors that can assist in maturation of immature tissues and repair of tissues damaged by illness and may prevent certain conditions in pre-maturity that are life threatening.

Clinical Uses for Banked Donor Milk

Nutritional Uses:

- **Prematurity**
- **Malabsorption syndromes**
- **Renal failure**
- **Failure to thrive**
- **Short-gut syndrome**
- **Feeding intolerance**
- **Inborn errors of metabolism**
- **Cardiac problems**
- **Pediatric burn cases**
- **Post-surgical nutrition**
- **Bronchopulmonary dysplasia**
- **Allergies to bovine soy milks**

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Medical/Therapeutic Uses:

- **Treatment for infectious diseases**
- **Solid organ transplants (including adults)**
- **Non-infectious intestinal disorders**
- **Post-surgical healing**
- **Immunodeficiency diseases**

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Preventive Uses

- **Necrotizing enterocolitis**
- **During immune suppression therapy**
- **Prevent opportunistic infections**
- **Colitis**
- **Allergies to bovine and soy milk/feeding intolerance**