**LPCH Inpatient GT Teaching Topics**

APPs spend 10-15 minutes doing GT teaching, usually on the day of discharge.

Nurses show family how to setup the feeding and show the GT education videos (three 5 min videos), usually a few days prior to discharge.

**APP Teaching Topics:**

1. Nursing to show GT feeding setup
2. GT parts and tube attachments
3. Explain how the GT is attached to the abdominal wall
4. Troubleshooting
   a. Dislodgement: place spare GT in tract without inflation, go to ED to confirm placement if less than 6 weeks since surgery
   b. Granulation Tissue: send image for steroid cream prescription
   c. Cellulitis: send image for antibiotic prescription
   d. Skin Irritation: send image, place gauze underneath GT, rotate GT 90 degrees per day
5. GT Care
   a. Clean with water and mild soap daily or with excessive leaking
   b. Optional split gauze if irritation or excessive leakage
6. Follow Up
   a. 1st GT exchange in 3 months in general surgery APP clinic, with APP providing exchange instructions and demonstration
   b. 2nd GT exchange in 6 months with optional parents performing GT exchange with APP guidance
   c. Follow up every 3 months until parents demonstrate confidence and ability of exchanging home GT themselves
7. Questions/Concerns