Policy References: Local Coverage Determination Enteral Nutrition (L33783) and Policy Article (A52493)
Documentation References: Standard Documentation Requirements Policy Article (PA) A55426

The supplier must be able to provide all of these items on request:

- [ ] Standard Written Order (SWO)
- [ ] Beneficiary Authorization
- [ ] Proof of Delivery (POD)
- [ ] Continued Need
- [ ] Continued Use
- [ ] DME Information Form (DIF) CMS-10126
- [ ] Medical records from treating practitioner as noted below

**Medical Records should contain:**

- [ ] Beneficiary has permanent impairment (at least 3 months in duration)
  - [ ] Non-function or disease of the structures that normally permit food to reach the small bowel; **or**
  - [ ] Disease of the small bowel which impairs digestion and absorption of an oral diet, either of which requires tube feedings to provide sufficient nutrients to maintain weight and strength commensurate with the beneficiary’s overall health status
- [ ] Beneficiary requires tube feeding to maintain weight and strength commensurate with overall health status
  - [ ] Adequate nutrition must not be possible by dietary adjustment and/or oral supplements

**Enteral Infusion Pumps (B9000, B9002)**

- [ ] Gravity feeding is not satisfactory due to reflux and/or aspiration; **or**
- [ ] Severe diarrhea; **or**
- [ ] Dumping syndrome; **or**
- [ ] Administration rate less than 100 ml/hr; **or**
- [ ] Blood glucose fluctuations; **or**
- [ ] Circulatory overload; **or**
- [ ] Gastrostomy/jejunostomy tube used for feeding

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Special Nutrient Formulas (B4149, B4153-B4157, B4161, B4162)

- Physician ordered the special nutrient
- Medical records document specific medical condition and need for the special nutrient

Feeding Supply Kit (B4034-B4036)

- Feeding supply kit corresponds to the method of administration indicated in question 5 of the DME Information Form (DIF)
- When a pump supply kit (B4035) is provided, the medical necessity of the pump must be documented