

Supporting Patient Safety and Education

Boston Scientific is a Charter Member of the Global Enteral Device Supplier Association (GEDSA) that is working to help educate the health care community about new standards in medical device tubing connectors to enhance patient safety.

Compliance with the new standards will help facilitate compatibility between feeding tubes and extension sets. GEDSA members have worked together to develop an enteral-specific plan for the introduction of the new ENFit Connector system. The new connectors are designed to adhere to standards established by the International Organization of Standardization, also known as ISO.

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ENFit™ Connector Transition Guide

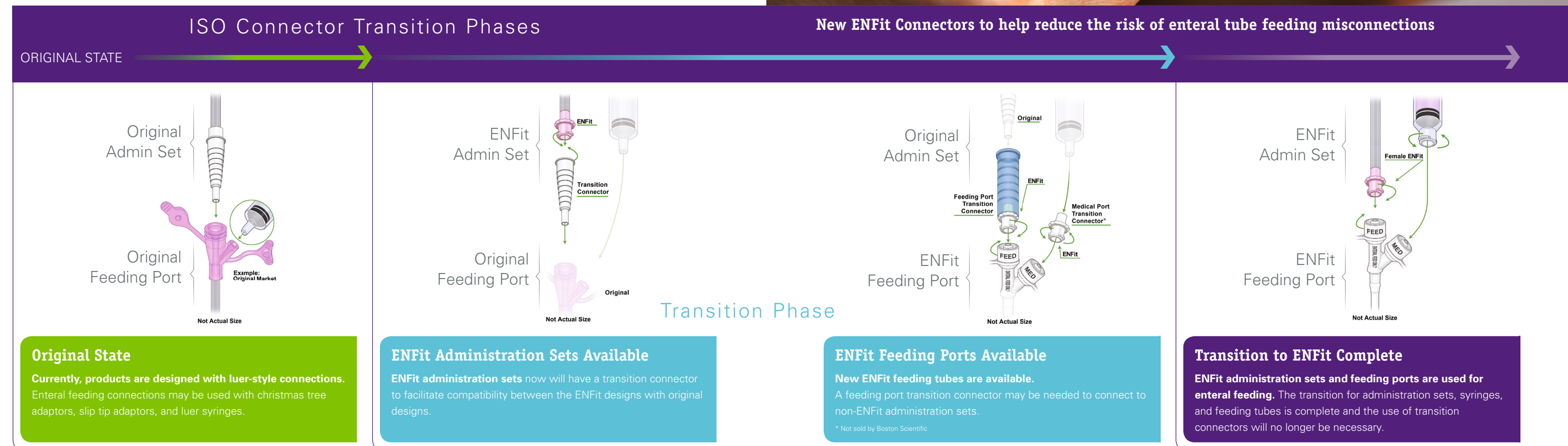
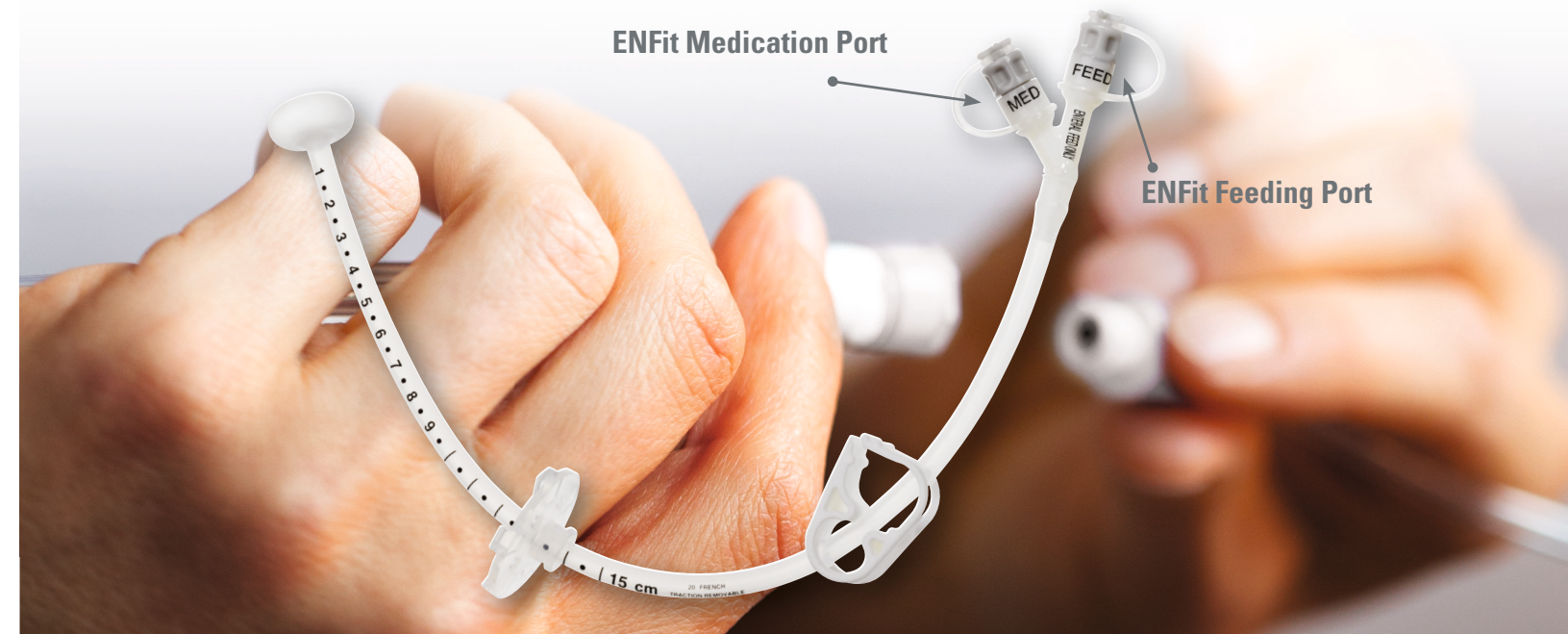
Your Guide to the
ENFit Enteral Feeding
Connector Transition

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What is Boston Scientific Doing?

Device manufacturers are in different phases of making this transition. Boston Scientific is introducing a new connector in an effort to help reduce the risk of enteral tube feeding misconnections and improve patient safety. The EndoVive™ family of products will transition to the new connectors. Transition connectors will also be available so the devices may be used with existing enteral syringes and feeding tubes.



Understanding the Connector Changes

Important changes have been in the works to address safety issues related to tube feeding. New standards have resulted in the design of the ENFit™ Connector to help reduce the risk of a non-feeding tube device being connected to a feeding tube port.

All enteral access devices, including feeding tubes, administration sets and enteral syringes will be impacted by these changes. The new connectors for nutrition formula feeding have already been implemented. Enteral-specific syringes will be required to connect to the new enteral tube port for medication administration, flushing, and bolus feeding.

The Importance of Adopting the New ENFit Connector Design

The new ENFit Connector:

- Provides a way to reduce the risk of enteral tube feeding misconnections
- Addresses “patient side” connections between feeding tubes, administration sets, medication, flush and bolus feeding syringes, and other enteral devices