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**NNNG WELCOMES THE NCEPOD
ARTIFICIAL NUTRITION ENQUIRY REPORT PUBLISHED,
“A Mixed Bag, 24 June 2010”**

Liz Evans, Chair of the NNNG states:

“This report¹ provides us with the evidence that Parenteral Nutrition in some cases is being delivered to both paediatric and adult patients in an unsafe manner. The NNNG, like BAPEN and NICE² have for many years supported the development of Nutrition Teams in being able to ensure safe and effective multi disciplinary nutrition support is delivered both within the hospital and community. The¹ findings of this report advocate the need for parenteral nutrition to be delivered within the team framework, of which Nutrition Nurse Specialists form an integral part. The NNNG has recently published competencies³ linked to the knowledge and skills framework relating to the safety and care delivered surrounding enteral and parenteral nutrition. This competency framework³ supports the patient’s journey relating to parenteral nutrition and compliments some of the recommendations of the NCEPOD report¹.

ENDS

1. NCEPOD (2010) ‘A Mixed Bag’
2. NICE (2006) ‘Nutrition support in adults: oral nutrition support, enteral tube feeding and parenteral
3. NNNG (2010) A Competency Framework for Nutrition Nurse Specialists

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