

## **Key Points**

- 1. PEG tube placement is associated with significant short- and longterm risks.
- 2. There is no decrease in risk of aspiration pneumonia with placement of gastric or post-pyloric feeding tube and there might be increased risk.
- 3. There is no evidence enteric nutrition by feeding tube improves nutritional markers or decreases the risk for pressure ulcer formation or improves healing of ulcers in a demented patient.
- 4. PEG tubes do not appear to contribute to comfort at the end of life.

https://www.the-hospitalist.org/hospitalist/article/123501/do-feeding-tubes-improve-outcome s-patients-dementia