

CHECKLIST FOR PASTUERISED DONOR BREAST MILK

Check expiry date

Confirm Patient ID

Double Check with Staff Nurse, document Pasteurised Donor Breast Milk Batch No on both sign-out sheet and Intake/Output

Attach addressograph labels to both halves of milk bank label

Store top half in polypocket (*end of bed notes for CNSp/Cardiac Dietitian to collect*) with date & time of administration and sign

Store bottom half in-patient chart with date & time of administration and sign



Step-by-Step Guide for nurses on the ordering of pasteurised donor breast milk (PDBM) in CHI at Crumlin.

Pasteurised Donor Breast Milk (PDBM) should only be ordered when:

1. The infant meets the eligibility criteria for DBM (Refer to DBM: Guidelines for the provision of PDBM in OLCHC, 2019).
2. The Consultant Neonatologist or Cardiologist has confirmed the need for PDBM and has recorded this in the HCR.
The expected timeframe for needing DBM should be discussed.
3. The parents have been provided with the PDBM leaflet (Information for parents/guardians whose child is receiving PDBM, 2019). Parents need to consent to the provision of PDBM (written and verbal). Consent needs to be documented in the HCR by the NCHD or CNSp.
4. The dietitian has been informed verbally and by a blue requisition form.
5. The neonatal CNSp has been informed verbally and by a blue requisition form. For cardiac patients the cardiac dietitian will be the liaison person.

Ordering of Donor Breast Milk (PDBM)

- It is the responsibility of the dietitian to order PDBM from the formula room.
- The formula room will dispense PDBM on a named patient basis to the ward. The volume sent will be sufficient to cover a 24-hour period. PDBM can be used for 24hours after defrosting.
- Trackback labels must be kept for the CNSp or Dietitian for collection and traceability purposes. (Refer to nursing care plan 4b: Pasteurised Donor Breast Milk (PDBM)). The bottom half of the label must be filed in the medical notes.
- Outside of normal working hours (Monday-Friday 8:00am – 4:00pm) it will be the responsibility of the NCHD to request PDBM by sending a blue requisition to the formula room.

Important Notes

Mother's own milk is best. PDBM is never meant to replace Mothers own milk.

PDBM is available in limited supply and should only be used when an infant meets eligibility criteria.