Decanted Expressed Breast Milk (EBM)
Checklist \& Signature Sheet

Full Name:
Address:


1. Decant milk into syringes for enteral feeds at beginning of shift (day/ night) for the duration of shift where possible
2. Decanting once per shift minimises the risk of contamination as less people are handling the EBM
3. Please label each syringe with a decanted EBM label and store in the patient's individual milk tray in the fridge
4. Two people* must perform EBM safety checks
5. If fortified, please have the patient's dietician sheet at decanting station to compare with

Remember breast milk can only be hung by a patient's bedside for a max of 4 hours. (HSE,2022)
*Milk safety checks can be performed by the following:
a) First checker must be a registered nurse
b) Second checker can be a parent, registered nurse, student nurse (Intern or PRCNS) or health \& social care professional

## $\triangle$ checks Required $\uparrow$

- Baby's name
- HcRN
- Date of birth
- Date \& time milk expressed
- Date \& time if milk decanted / defrosted
- ID band at bedside

| Date | Time | MIs decanted for 12 hrs | $1^{\text {st }}$ Checker |  |  | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Checker |  |  |
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|  |  |  | Nurses Signature | Nurses Grade | NMBI | Signature | Grade/ Title | NMBI/ Corú/ Medical No |
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