

# Syringe Accessories

Medicina has put together a large range of accessories to help with the delivery of feeds and medicines using the ENFit syringe feeding system.



## ENFit Bottle Adapters

When drawing-up with an ENFit syringe, an ENFit Bottle Adapter allows for more accuracy as per ISO 80369-3 recommendation.

They are designed to fit tightly in the neck of the bottle allowing the tamperproof cap to be screwed on securely (excluding BA01L). ENFit Bottle Adapters will last the life of the bottle and they should be discarded together.



### Features

- **Sterile**
- **Individually packaged (Excluding BAxxBL range)**
- **Purple**
- **ENFit compliant**
- **Available in various sizes to fit a range of bottles**
- **Stepped bottle adapter fits multiple bottles**
- **Minimises medicine waste**
- **Improves dose accuracy**
- **Tamper proof cap can still be utilised (excluding BA01L)**
- **DEHP/Latex Free**

Medicina code	Product Description	Box Qty
BA01L	ENFit Stepped Bottle adapter	50
BA02L	ENFit Bottle Adapter 15mm-16.5mm	50
BA03L	ENFit Bottle Adapter 18mm – 19.5mm	50
BA04L	ENFit Bottle Adapter 25.5mm – 27mm	50
BA05L	ENFit Bottle Adapter 18.5mm -20.5mm	50
BA06L	ENFit Bottle Adapter 20mm – 21.5mm	50
BA07L	ENFit Bottle adapter 10.5mm -11mm	50
BA08L	ENFit Bottle Adapter 16.5mm – 18mm	50
BA01BL	ENFit Stepped Bottle Adapter (Pack)	50
BA02BL	ENFit Bottle Adapter 15mm – 16.5mm (Pack)	50
BA03BL	ENFit Bottle Adapter 18mm – 19.5mm (Pack)	50
BA04BL	ENFit Bottle Adapter 25.5mm 27mm (Pack)	40



# Enteral medicines

In general, liquid forms of medicine should be used where possible for enteral routes.

Soluble tablets or capsules can be used if they are thoroughly dissolved. Enteric coated medicines should never be crushed or dissolved. If the liquid and soluble forms are unavailable then tablets can be crushed or capsules opened and mixed in 10-15mls of water (5-10mls for children). The tablet crusher should be rinsed and the washings and residue flushed down the tube.

## Delivery

Medicines should be delivered using an enteral syringe. Tubes should be flushed before and after medicines with 20-30mls of water in adults and 5-10mls in children. Each medicine should be administered separately and the tube and the syringe should be flushed between the dose of different medicines. In general medicines should not be added to feeds because of potential interactions. Timing may also be important as some medicines are designed to be absorbed by an empty stomach.

## Medicine container access

Medicines can be drawn up using the medicine straw and the milk straw for larger volumes and thicker preparations. If glass ampoules are used, then a medicine filter straw is available.

Several bottle adapters are available to fit the various liquid bottles. The universal bottle adapter fits most and there are seven other sizes which fit flush into the bottle to allow the use of tamper-proof bottle caps. A blunt fill needle is also available for use with multi-dose bottles with a rubber bung.

## Medicine and feed interactions

Some medicines can interact with enteral feeds, vitamins and electrolytes and some need to be given on an empty stomach. It is therefore important to flush before and after each feed to prevent any coagulation of the proteins in the feeds, which can block the feeding tubes.

## Outpatient medicines

The bottle adapter can be provided non-sterile so that a suitable adapter can be packed with a suitable syringe for patients leaving hospital. A small instruction pad has also been produced so an instructions leaflet can be torn off for each outpatient as required.

## Small volume medicines

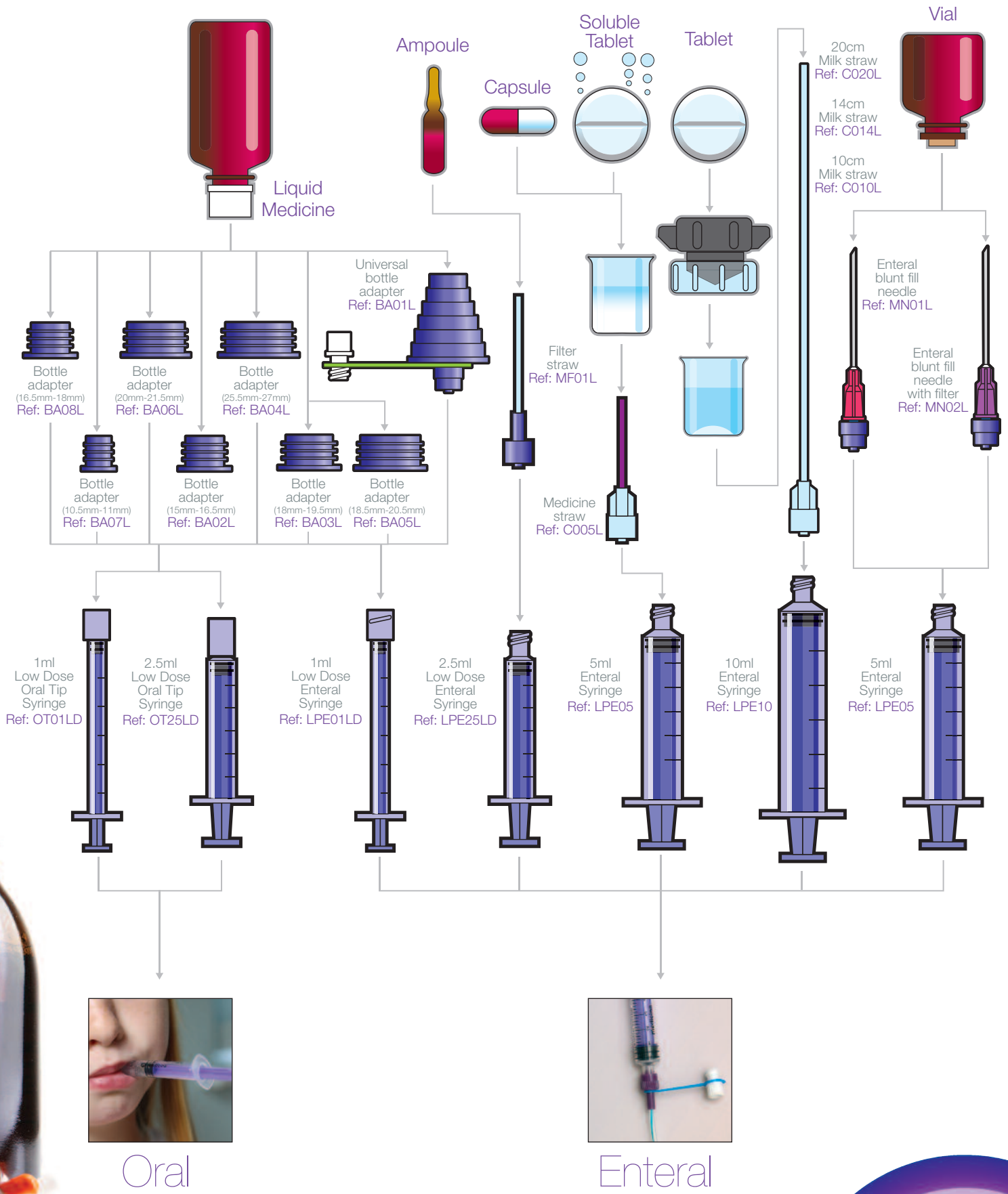
It is advisable to use the medicine straw or bottle adapters for small volumes of medicines as the straw will occupy the dead space of the syringe in the same way as the male connector on the feeding tube. In this way medicines can be delivered accurately without considering the dead space. For very small doses (less than 0.5ml) the 1ml Low Dose Syringe should be used.



### Caution

Medicina does not recommend the use of Cup Fill Technique for the drawing up of any medicine





Oral

Enteral