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Dear Dr. Goldstein,

Dr. Ana McKee asked me to respond on her behalf. Thank you for bringing the coalition's concerns regarding the ENFit tubing connector design. The Joint Commission is supportive of the ISO 80369-3 design standard to create an oral/enteral connector that prevents misconnections. The design limitations you shared are reminders of the complexity of this problem and that sometimes there is not only one solution to the problem.

That being said, The Joint Commission does not endorse specific manufacturers, products, or devices nor mandate their use. Specific device selection and use of these products are left to the discretion of patients and their clinicians.

Sincerely,

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