

WAIVER AND CONSENT FOR MY BABY/INFANT TO BE FED ABMB'S 'BRIDGING MILK' AND NOT INFANT FORMULA.

To: The Medical Team at the Maternity or NICU/SCN Unit of:

Name of Hospital: _____

Ward/Area: _____ State: _____

DEFINITIONS:

1. 'Medical Team' is defined to include Neonatologist(s), Maternal-fetal Specialist(s), Nurse Practitioner(s), Dietitian(s), Midwife(s), Developmental Pediatrician(s) or any Medical Practitioner assisting the Guardian and Baby/Infant.
2. Baby/infant is defined as singular or plural
3. Mother/Guardian is defined as the biological mother or any parent including sole parent, foster parent, and non-gestational parents
4. Hospital is defined as the admitting hospital or any subsequent hospital to where the baby/infant may be transferred.

Name of Mother / Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Address (2): _____

Suburb / City: _____ Postcode: _____ State: _____

This waiver and consent form requests/requires that the Medical Team (as defined above) at the hospital named above and/or any subsequent maternity/NICU unit to which I may be transferred for the delivery and ongoing care of my baby or babies allows and assists me to exclusively use packs of Australian Breast Milk Banks' (ABMB's) 'Bridging Milk', in the form of pure human milk powder. The powder is to be reconstituted with sterile water as per ABMB's instructions. This is because I do not wish to use cow's milk-based formula or cow's milk-based 'human milk fortifier' to feed my baby and have not consented to do so.

This is based on advice and information from my doctor/midwife/International Board Certified Lactation Consultant regarding the use of cow's milk-based formula and its associated risks for my infant(s), which include from mildest to most serious the following: an allergy to it, various infections including diarrhea, pneumonia, sepsis, intestinal complications, and necrotizing enterocolitis (NEC).

I consent only to 'pure human milk powder' or 'pure human milk fortifier', both of which processed by ABMB and certified as containing only 100% pure human milk to be used to supplement whatever milk I have. Alternatively, if determined by the medical team to reconstitute to 80% level and then to add to my own milk to increase its levels of protein to boost the weight of my infant(s).

ABOUT AUSTRALIAN BREAST MILK BANK'S 'BRIDGING MILK' FREEZE DRIED POWDER

This milk powder is 100% pure expressed human milk donated from Australian mothers. It has been comingled from a number of donors to naturally balance composition. It is non-thermally pasteurised using high pressure processing or freeze-dried for preservation, or both, and based on Food Standards Australia New Zealand which are enforced by state and territory departments, agencies and local councils in Australia and New Zealand. ABMB's 'Bridging Milk' is NATA-lab* screened pre and post processing including for pathogens, purity, allergens, rancidity, prescribed medications and drugs of abuse including S8 and S9 drugs.

The 'Bridging Milk' comes with full instructions and compositional analytics.

If you have any queries, please contact

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I accept the use of ABMB 'Bridging Milk' to feed my baby/infant, on the understanding that I may withdraw this consent at any time by informing the medical staff caring for my child.

Signature of Mother / Guardian _____ Date _____

Signature of Witness _____ Date _____

I decline the use of cow's milk-based formulas to feed my baby/infant as they may increase the risk of infection, intestinal complications, or allergies.

I understand that I may withdraw this decision at any time by informing the medical staff caring for my child.

Signature of Mother / Guardian _____ Date _____

Signature of Witness _____ Date _____

*NATA means National Association of Testing Authorities, Australia. It is the national accreditation body for the accreditation of laboratories, inspection bodies, calibration services, producers of certified reference materials and proficiency testing scheme providers throughout Australia