

## Basics of TPN Calculation

1. Establish a total fluid goal
  - Use Holliday Segar Method
  - If patient is fluid restricted, you may need to subtract lipid volume from patient's total fluid goal
  
2. Estimate Energy Needs
  - Calculate goal calories
  - PN energy needs are 10-15% lower than when fed enterally, due to no thermic effect of food
  - Goal calories: usually 45-60% CHO, 10-15% protein, 25-40% fat
    - Higher percentage of fat typical in infancy
  
3. Macronutrients
  - Lipids
    - Start at 1-2 g/kg/day and increase by 0.5-1 g/kg/day to max of 3 g/kg
    - 10 kcal/gram
    - 5 mL/gram and 2 kcal/mL (for 20% emulsion, n that is most commonly used)
    - Rate/hour calculation =  $\text{g/kg} \times \text{weight} \times 5 \text{ mL/g} \div \text{hours of infusion}$
    - Start with Intralipid, transition to Smoflipid, Clinolipid or Omegaven per CW protocols
  - Protein
    - Start at 1-2 g/kg/day and increase by 1 g/kg/day (max varies by age)
    - 4 kcal/gram
    - Use Premasol for <12 months (Inpatient Order: NEONATAL TPN) and Travasol for >12 months (Inpatient Order: PEDIATRIC TPN)
  - Dextrose
    - Start at 10% dextrose (or 5% higher than current IV fluids) and advance by 2.5-5% per day to goal (order in increments of 0.5)
      - Max depends on age and access
        - Central: 25% dextrose
        - Peripheral: 10-12.5% dextrose (must be <900 mOsm/L)
    - 3.4 kcal/gram
    - % Dextrose calculation =  $\frac{\text{dextrose calories desired}}{3.4 \text{ kcal/gram}} \div \text{desired volume (mL/day)} \times 100\%$
  - Calculating GIR
    - $\text{Grams carbohydrate} \times 1000 \div \text{patient weight (kg)} \div \text{number of minutes TPN infuses (example: 1440 minutes for 24 hour infusion)}$

Age (Years)	Goal GIR (mg/kg/min)
<b>Preterm Infant</b>	~12
<b>Term Infant</b>	10-14
<b>Child (1-10 years)</b>	8-10
<b>Adolescent (&gt;10 years)</b>	5-6

4. Micronutrients (Refer to CHW TPN Guidelines, located on Children's Connect)

- Electrolytes and Minerals

Electrolyte	Preterm	Infants/children	Children >40kg
Sodium	2-5 mEq/kg	2-5 mEq/kg	2-3 mEq/kg
Potassium	2-4 mEq/kg	2-4 mEq/kg	2-3 mEq/kg
Calcium	2-4 mEq/kg	0.5-4 mEq/kg	0.2-2 mEq/kg
Phosphorus	1-2 mmol/kg	0.5-2mmol/kg	0.5-2 mmol/kg
Magnesium	0.3-0.5 mEq/kg	0.3-0.5 mEq/kg	0.3-0.5 mEq/kg
Acetate	As needed for acid-base balance		
Chloride	As needed for acid-base balance		

- Vitamins
  - Pediatric MVI (<11 years): Dose 3 mL/kg with max of 5 mL/day
  - Adult MVI (11+ years): Dose 10 mL/day
  - Vitamin K: if none in MVI add up to 1 mg/day
- Trace Elements
  - Dose 0.15 mL/kg with max of 4 mL/day
  - Some patients may require additional trace elements (See Parenteral Trace Element Requirements)
  - Consider decreasing copper with liver failure
  - Consider decreasing chromium and selenium with renal failure
  - Zinc:
    - Preterm: 400mcg/kg/day
    - Infants/Children: 150mcg/kg/day, up to 5000mcg/day
    - Children >40kg: 150mcg/kg/day, up to 5000mcg/day
- Other Additives
  - Iron:
    - Incompatible with Intralipid
    - Not added to TPN at CW
  - Levocarnitine
    - Dose 10 mg/kg/day (typically used in premature babies and infants on long term TPN)
  - PN related medications
    - H-2 Antagonists (Famotidine) and Heparin

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