

# Gastroparesis Care Pathway

This is an example of a gastroparesis treatment pathway. Share this with patients regardless of where they are in the pathway to help them understand treatment options. Include information on when patients should see symptom improvement and when to re-evaluate for other therapies.

## Evaluation & Diagnosis

Medical History,  
Physical Exam

Endoscopy  
*no obstruction*

Gastric Emptying Test  
*presence of delayed  
emptying*

FOLLOW-UP  
INSTRUCTIONS/NOTES

## First line therapies

Glucose control

Dietary modifications

Narcotic cessation

## Pharmacologic therapy

Prokinetics; Antiemetics

## Re-evaluation

CONTACT INFORMATION

Physician Name

Hospital Name

Hospital Address

City, State, Zip

Phone Number/Physician Office Email

## Advanced Therapies

Gastric electrical  
stimulation\*

Pyloric surgery

Other treatments  
(e.g. feeding tubes,  
gastrectomy)

Care pathways are directed by the physician to reflect their current practice protocols.

**Important Safety Information**

Enterra Therapy for treatment of chronic, resistant to medication nausea and vomiting associated with gastroparesis caused by diabetes or an unknown origin in patients aged 18 to 70 years: patients should always discuss potential risks and benefits of the device with their physician.

**Indications for Use:** The Enterra Therapy System for gastric electrical stimulation is indicated for use in the treatment of chronic, intractable (drug refractory) nausea and vomiting associated with gastroparesis caused by diabetes or an unknown origin in patients aged 18 to 70 years.

**Contraindications:** The Enterra Therapy System is not intended for patients whom the physician determines are not candidates for surgical procedures and/or anesthesia due to physical or mental health conditions. You cannot have diathermy (deep heat treatment from electromagnetic energy) if you have an Enterra device. Patients with Enterra should not have magnetic resonance imaging (MRI).

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**Humanitarian Device:** Authorized by Federal law for use in the treatment of chronic intractable (drug refractory) nausea and vomiting secondary to gastroparesis of diabetic or idiopathic etiology in patients aged 18 to 70 years. The effectiveness of this device for this use has not been demonstrated.

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