

## Bottle feeding premature infants

A baby cannot move to a bottle until he or she can coordinate breathing, sucking and swallowing. Once initiated, start with a specially designed bottle that holds only 25 to 60mls of milk and has a special premature teat. Some babies (i.e. VLBW and ELBW) need food that has been individually recommended by a dietitian to meet specific dietary needs. Most premature infants are given a formula that is specially designed for low birthweight babies

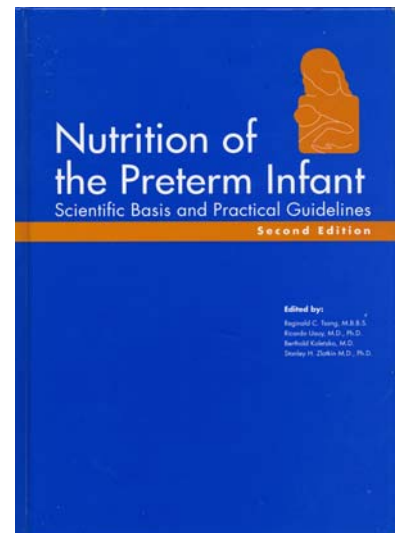
All preterm formulas should comply with the latest Tsang recommendations<sup>1</sup>

### TSANG – Authority in preterm nutrition

Dr. Reginald Tsang, MD is an adjunct professor emeritus at the University of Cincinnati. He has over 400 papers published and is the author of many books including "Nutrient Requirements in Preterm Infants," - the international "bible" for defining nutritional needs in preterm infants.

Dr. Tsang is the authority in Preterm Nutrition and heads up a working group of international experts in the field of Preterm and low birth weight nutrition, who set international standards/recommendations to achieve optimal nutrition for Preterm infants.

The latest guidelines from this group are the Tsang Guidelines for Preterm Nutrition 2005.



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<sup>1</sup> Tsang RC et al., Nutrition of the preterm infant, scientific basis and practical guidelines. Digital Education Publishing, Inc. 2005