

Breastmilk is the preferred milk for these babies but if needed, infants will have pre-term formula commenced in hospital before discharge These formulae should <u>not</u> be used in primary care to promote weight gain in babies other than those born prematurely

Babies born <34 weeks gestation, weighing <2kg at birth may be initiated on:

Nutriprem 2[®] <u>powder</u> OR SMA Pro Gold Prem 2[®] powder

Secondary care initiation only

Prescribing to be continued by GP in primary care until infant reaches 6 months corrected age*

NOTE:

Prescribe <u>POWDER</u> formula Nutriprem 2[°]liquid or

SMA Pro Gold Prem 2[°] liquid should NOT BE prescribed except in rare instances where there is a

clinical need in e.g. immunocompromised infant

Rationale and duration should be clearly indicated by secondary care and communicated to the GP

Growth (weight, length & head circumference) should be monitored by the Health Visitor on a monthly basis using UK WHO growth charts

> Is there a concern with growth? (See faltering growth flowchart)

* 6 months corrected age = Expected Date of Delivery + 26 weeks

