

## Protein: Requirements and Measuring Its Impact in the NICU

## Acronyms

AGA, appropriate for gestational age

BMI, body mass index

ELBW, extremely low birth weight

EN, enteral nutrition

GA, gestational age

GV, growth velocity

HC, head circumference

HM, human milk

HMF, human milk fortifier

LFA, Length-for-Age

LN, length

MDI, mental developmental index

NICU, neonatal intensive care unit

PDI, psychomotor developmental index

PN, parenteral nutrition

RCT, randomized control trial

VLBW, very low birth weight

WFA, Weight-for-Age

WT, weight