# F.E.A.R Van

A specialised medical vehicle used to connect nutrition and IV treatments

#### Who are FEAR?

'Face Everything And Rise' (FEAR) are a registered charity supporting people who receive artificial nutrition or long term IV treatments.



#### What is the FEAR van?

The 'FEAR Van' (also named Eddie) is a converted VW Van which is used as a safe space for people with feeding tubes and central lines to connect/disconnect their nutrition or treatments.

The sole purpose of Eddie is to support and enable <u>more</u> people to access music festivalsand events <u>safely</u>!



### Who is it for?

It is estimated that within the UK over 40,000 adult and paediatric patients require home enteral feeding (tube feeding).

1,800 patients require home parenteral nutrition via a central line.

30,000 patients receive dialysis via a central line and 28% of chemotherpy patients have a central line.

## Why is it needed?

A central line is a thin, flexible tube that is inserted into a vein, usually below the right collarbone, and guided into a large vein above the right side of the heart called the superior vena cava. It is used to give intravenous fluids, parenteral nutrition, blood transfusions, chemotherapy, and other IV drugs.

When an individual accesses their central line, they need to do so in an aseptic manner. This involves sterile equipment and clean environments.



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# Why is it needed?

Currently, if an individual has a central line, they are less likely to access festivals and large events. This is because there aren't suitable facilities available for them to access their line aseptically. The result of this, is that less and less people are able to attend events, yet the number of individuals living with a surgically inserted IV line (central line) is growing.



## What's inside?

- Two temperature controlled fridges
- Drip stand
- Pump charge points
- Wash station for hand washing
- Air purifier
- Ample storage for ancillaries
- Suitable seating
- Bed for individuals needing to lay down
- Standing height

#### What does FEAR offer

People can visit us in the morning to drop off their ancillaries, nutrition or IV medication.

We will store their IVs in a temperature controlled fridge.

They can then return to us, at any time during the day, to administer their nutrition or IV medication in a safe and clean environment.



Our sole purpose is to enable and empower people to live a fulfilled life despite their medical condition. We want to remove as many barriers as possible so that they too can experience the thrill and excitement of sports, music festivals and events.