



How to book & obtain IV iron for the treatment of Anemia:

FAX COMPLETED IV IRON PPO-6-044, ALLERGY LIST, & MEDICATION LIST TO:

ACU FAX: (705) 495-2419.

It is recommended that the patient fill their **IV iron prescription** at the **North Bay Regional Outpatient Pharmacy** (Fax: 705-495-8109) since many community pharmacies do not routinely stock IV iron injections. If the patient prefers to use their home pharmacy they must make sure the prescribed IV iron will be available by their appointment date.

Remind the patient to bring the iron with them the day of their infusion appointment. If they are picking up the medication the day of the infusion, please remind them to allow for time to pick up their medication & arrive at the Ambulatory Care Unit (ACU) for their appointment.

The physician will attempt to bill the prescription to their insurance company if they have **private insurance coverage** or have **Non-insured Health Benefits (NIHB)** for Native and Inuit Health.

Monoferric (Iron isomaltoside) is now covered by the **Ontario Drug Benefit plan** for **ODB eligible** patients with **LU code 610**:

For the treatment of patients with Iron Deficiency Anemia (IDA) who meet ALL the following criteria:

- Patient has documented diagnosis of IDA confirmed by laboratory testing results (e.g. hemoglobin, ferritin); AND
- Patient's IDA has experienced a failure to respond, documented intolerance, or contraindication to an adequate trial (i.e. at least 4 weeks) of at least one oral iron therapy; AND
- Patient does not have hemochromatosis or other iron storage disorders; AND
- Monoferric is administered in a setting where appropriate monitoring and management of hypersensitivity reactions can be provided to the patient.

LU Authorization Period: 1 Year

Venofer (Iron sucrose) is covered by the **Ontario Drug Benefit plan** for **ODB eligible** patients through the Ministry of Health's **Exceptional Access Program (EAP)**.

To view eligibility criteria & facilitate a timely response, please submit your EAP requests via SADIE (Special Authorization Digital Information Exchange). Information and how to register for SADIE is available at <http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/sadie/>.

***** Please note the North Bay Regional Health Centre ACU will only cover the cost of IV iron for patients who have all other resources for funding exhausted****