

IRON INFUSIONS

GOOD STREET MEDICAL CENTRE PROVIDES IRON INFUSIONS TO THE COMMUNITY IN GREAT WESTERN SYDNEY.

WHAT IS AN IRON INFUSION?

An iron infusion is a minor one-hour procedure that involves injecting an iron-containing medicine directly into the bloodstream, in order to circulate and reach the organs that require iron to function normally.

WHY MIGHT YOU NEED AN IRON INFUSION?

Iron Infusions are administered to treat cases of anaemia, and iron deficiency without anaemia. It can be used to rapidly raise and increase iron levels.

HOW TO BOOK AN IRON INFUSION?

To book an iron infusion please call reception on 02 9633 7033. A consultation with a doctor is required prior to booking in your iron infusion. In this consultation your recent blood test results will be discussed, if you are a new patient to the practice, please bring a copy of the most recent blood test results. The doctor will then provide a script for Ferrinject which can be purchased from the chemist of your choice. Iron infusions cannot be booked online.

The upfront cost for the iron infusion procedure for

- **Medicare patient will be \$200 with a \$117.10 gap fee.** For patients with a valid Medicare card, Medicare rebate will be provided. Our receptionists can claim the rebate on your behalf at the time of your appointment.
- **Private patient will be \$200 Long Consult.**

In preparation for your appointment:

1. Take an **antihistamine** (e.g., Claratyne, Zyrtec or Telfast) **1 HOUR PRIOR TO YOUR APPOINTMENT**
2. The referring Doctor would have provided you with a script for **Ferrinject** which can be purchased from the Chemist prior to your appointment.
3. Please allow approximately 1 hour 30 minutes for your appointment.
4. Drink at least 500mls of water prior to your visit to stay hydrated.

Frequently asked questions:

1. Am I able to eat breakfast before my iron infusion appointment? **Yes**
2. How long will the appointment take? **About 1½ hours**
3. Will I be able to drive home after my appointment? **Yes**
4. Can I drink coffee or tea prior to my appointment? **Yes**