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### **Educational Materials relating to the use of intravenous iron preparations**

Dear healthcare professional,

In October 2013 you received important information in relation to the use of intravenous iron preparations and the risk of hypersensitivity reactions following a European review of their benefits versus risks.

As follow up to this information, we are now providing you with educational materials to ensure correct usage of intravenous irons in relation to managing hypersensitivity reactions. The first is intended for healthcare professionals and provides information on prescription and administration of intravenous iron to minimise the risk of serious hypersensitivity reactions. The second is intended for patients and provides information on the possible risk of serious allergic reactions with intravenous irons.

Should you require additional copies of either of these leaflets, they may be obtained from:

[www.viforpharma.co.uk](http://www.viforpharma.co.uk),  
[www.pharmacosmos.co.uk](http://www.pharmacosmos.co.uk)  
[www.freseniusmedicalcare.co.uk](http://www.freseniusmedicalcare.co.uk)

#### **Call for reporting**

Adverse events should be reported. Reporting forms and information can be found at [www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard](http://www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard). Adverse events should also be reported to the relevant pharmaceutical company.

When reporting please ensure to include the name of the specific product administered.

#### **Company contact point**

Should you have any questions regarding the use of Cosmofer, Monofer or Diafer, please contact Pharmacosmos UK Ltd Medical Information + 44 (0)1844 269 007 or via email at [info@pharmacosmos.co.uk](mailto:info@pharmacosmos.co.uk)

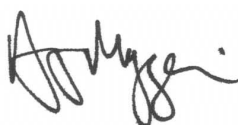
Should you have any questions regarding the use of Ferinject or Venofer, please contact Vifor Pharma UK Ltd Medical Information + 44 (0)1276853633 or via email at [medicalinfo\\_uk@viforpharma.com](mailto:medicalinfo_uk@viforpharma.com)

Should you have any questions regarding the use of Ferrologic, please contact Fresenius Medical Care (UK) Ltd Medical Information + 44 (0)1623 445 100 or via email at [medinfo-uk@fmc-ag.com](mailto:medinfo-uk@fmc-ag.com)

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