Elemental iron content of oral iron preparations			
Iron salt	Formulation	Strength	Elemental iron content
Ferrous sulphate	tablet	200mg	65mg
	oral drops	125mg/ml	25mg/ml
Ferrous fumarate	tablet	210mg	68mg
	tablet	322mg	100mg [*]
	capsules	305mg	100mg [*]
	oral solution	140mg/5ml	45mg/5ml
Ferrous gluconate	tablet	300mg	35mg
Sodium feredetate	oral solution	190mg/5ml	27.5mg/5ml

Note: refer to the NHS GGC formulary at www.ggcmedicines.org.uk for preferred list choices

*Preparations containing 100mg of elemental iron can cause significant side effects and use should be discouraged.