Roche Diagnostics is the preferred manufacturer for blood glucose monitors and test strips for Blue Shield 65 Plus^SM (HMO), Blue Shield 65 Plus^SM Plan 2 (HMO), Blue Shield 65 Plus^SM Choice Plan (HMO), Blue Shield Inspire (HMO), Blue Shield Enhanced (HMO), Blue Shield Medicare (PPO), and Blue Shield Select (PPO) members.

Accu-Chek® test strips (made by Roche Diagnostics) will not require prior authorization when obtained from a network pharmacy. Blue Shield has a quantity limit of 100 test strips and lancets per 90 days if you do not take insulin and a quantity limit of 300 test strips and lancets per 90 days if you do take insulin. You or your doctor must submit a request via the Blue Shield pharmacy prior authorization process for test strips that are **not** Accu-Chek or if you need to use more test strips and lancets.

If you are not currently using Accu-Chek test strips but would like to switch:

1. **Talk with your doctor to find out if Accu-Chek test strips will work for you.** You can also visit [meters.accu-chek.com](http://meters.accu-chek.com) to learn more or contact Accu-Chek Customer Care at **(800) 241-6642**.

2. **Obtain a prescription from your doctor for Accu-Chek test strips.** Please remember, you will also need a new prescription for an Accu-Chek blood glucose monitor to use with your Accu-Chek test strips. The Accu-Chek blood glucose monitor is available to you at no cost when you go to a network pharmacy. Bring this flier to the pharmacy and provide them with the following information:
   - BIN #610524
   - Issuer 80840
   - ID 369168840
   - RxPCN: 1016
   - Group 40026479

3. **Fill your prescription before you run out of your current test strip supplies.** This will give you time to learn how to use your new Accu-Chek blood glucose monitor while you still have your current supplies on hand. Also, your new Accu-Chek blood glucose monitor will require compatible Accu-Chek test strips. Your old strips will not work with your new blood glucose monitor. If you have questions on how to use your new Accu-Chek blood glucose monitor and test strips, contact Accu-Chek Customer Care at **(800) 241-6642**.

4. **In some cases, your doctor might think you need to continue using your current blood glucose monitor and test strips.** If so, you or your doctor can submit a request via the Blue Shield pharmacy prior authorization process.

If you have any additional questions, you can call Blue Shield Customer Service at **(800) 776-4466** (TTY: 711), 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., seven days a week.
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