



Important information about Medicare Part B blood glucose test strips preferred products for San Francisco Health Service System

Roche Diagnostics and LifeScan are the preferred manufacturer for blood glucose monitors and test strips for Blue Shield Medicare (PPO) for San Francisco Health Service System.

Accu-Chek® test strips (made by Roche Diagnostics) and OneTouch® (made by LifeScan) 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 OneTouch. If you need more test strips and lancets, you must also submit a prior authorization request.

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

1. **Talk with your doctor to find out if Accu-Chek Guide test strips will work for you.** You can also visit accu-chek.com to learn more or contact Accu-Chek Customer Care at **(866) 307-2344**.
2. **Obtain a prescription from your doctor for Accu-Chek Guide test strips.** Please remember, you will also need a new prescription for an **Accu-Chek Guide** blood glucose monitor to use with your **Accu-Chek Guide** test strips. The **Accu-Chek Guide** blood glucose monitor is available to you at no cost when you go to a network pharmacy. Bring this flyer to the pharmacy and provide them with the following information:
 - BIN #610524 • Issuer 80840 • ID 969608977 • 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 Guide** blood glucose monitor while you still have your current supplies on hand. Also, your new **Accu-Chek Guide** blood glucose monitor will require **Accu-Chek Guide** 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 **(866) 307-2344**.

If you are not currently using **OneTouch Verio** test strips but would like to switch:

1. **Talk with your doctor to find out if OneTouch Verio test strips will work for you.**
2. **Obtain a prescription from your doctor for OneTouch Verio strips.** Please remember, you will also need a new prescription for a **OneTouch Verio** blood glucose monitor to use with your **OneTouch Verio** test strips. The **OneTouch Verio** blood glucose monitor is available to you at no cost when you go to a network pharmacy. Bring this flyer to the pharmacy and provide them with the following information:
 - BIN #: 601341 • RxPCN: OHS • ID #: NOCHARGEMETR • Group #: OH6504201

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 **OneTouch Verio** blood glucose monitor while you still have your current supplies on hand. Also, your new **OneTouch Verio** blood glucose monitor will require **OneTouch Verio** test strips. Your old strips will not work with your new blood glucose monitor.

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) 370-8852 (TTY: 711)**, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., seven days a week.

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