



Physicians Plus Pharmacy Network Bulletin

Glucose Test Strip Quantity Limit Change

Effective June 15, 2010, members without active diabetes drug therapy on their medication profile will be limited to 50 formulary glucose test strips per 90 days.

Formulary Glucose Test Strip Products

Roche line of Accu-Chek®

LifeScan, Inc., line of OneTouch

There are no grandfathering periods.

All current and future members are affected by this formulary change.

Non-formulary test strips will continue to deny or adjudicate at the higher non-formulary copay/coinsurance rate.

Glucose test strip claims in excess of 50 test strips per 90 day supply will deny when a member doesn't possess diabetes drug therapy in their claim history.

The glucose test strip claim will deny with the message "No Drug Therapy, PA required."

Instructions for Pharmacy:

- ◆ ***If the prescriber originally ordered a non-formulary (anything other than listed above) glucose test strip product, please contact the prescriber to change to a formulary test strip product.***

Pharmacies assisting members in switching to either OneTouch or Accu-Chek product will be reimbursed a one-time, \$5 service fee. The fee should be billed under a new Rx Number with the Physicians Plus Pharmacy Services Cognitive Service Program using a Reason-Action-Result code of: NF-FE-IE.

- ◆ ***A free glucose meter is available to members switching to formulary test strips.*** Please advise members to contact Roche Diagnostics Corporation (Accu-Chek®) at (888) 355-4242 and use their Physicians Plus member ID number, name and address to order a free meter. For OneTouch® products of LifeScan, Inc., members should call (608) 260-7004 to request a free meter card. Members may redeem the card, along with a test strip prescription, for a free meter at your retail pharmacy.

Please contact Physicians Plus Pharmacy Services Department with questions

Office hours: Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

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