



AETNA BETTER HEALTH®
Coverage Policy/Guideline

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Effective Date: 12/2020 Last Review Date: 08/2020

Applies to:	<input type="checkbox"/> California	<input type="checkbox"/> Florida	<input type="checkbox"/> Kentucky
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Louisiana	<input type="checkbox"/> Maryland	<input type="checkbox"/> Michigan
	<input type="checkbox"/> Pennsylvania	<input type="checkbox"/> Virginia	<input type="checkbox"/> Texas

Intent:

The intent of this policy/guideline is to provide information to the prescribing practitioner outlining the coverage criteria for Diabetic Testing Supplies under the member’s prescription drug benefit.

Description: Diabetic Testing Supplies are used for testing blood glucose. This policy does not apply to urine test strips.

Preferred/Non-Preferred Drugs

Preferred	Non-Preferred
OneTouch Products	Other Diabetic Testing Products

Policy/Guideline:

Diabetic Test Strip and Glucometer Quantity Limits:

- Refer to Louisiana Medicaid Diabetic Test Strips and Lancets Quantity Limits: <https://ldh.la.gov/assets/HealthyLa/Pharmacy/PDL.pdf>
- Glucometers are limited to 1 glucometer per 12 months

Use the following to submit a claim for a preferred OneTouch meter:

- BIN: 601341
- RxPCN: OHS
- Group ID#: LVUMV384
- ID#: NOCHARGEMETR
- Contact Phone #: 1-800-364-4767

Non-Preferred Products:

- **Member should be switched to the preferred pharmacy meter and supplies or can be submitted as a Medical Benefit**
- **Criteria to Receive Non-Formulary Diabetic Supplies (Member meets one of the following):**
 - Physical limitation (manual dexterity or visual impairment) that limits utilization of formulary product
 - Insulin pump requiring a specific test strip

Criteria to Receive a Greater Quantity than authorized by Louisiana Medicaid

Member meets one of the following:



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- Newly diagnosed diabetes or gestational diabetes
- Children with diabetes that are less than 18 years of age
- Member is on insulin pump
- Member is on high intensity insulin therapy, and needs to routinely test more than 4-5 times daily

Criteria to Receive Greater Than One Glucometer Per Year

Member meets one of the following:

- Current glucometer is unsafe, inaccurate, or no longer appropriate based on medical condition
- Current glucometer no longer functions properly, has been damaged, or was lost or stolen

Continuous Glucose Monitoring (for example, Freestyle Libre, Dexcom G5, Dexcom G6) system:

- Refer to *Aetna Better Health Medicaid Durable Medical Equipment (DME)* coverage.
- For Durable Medical Equipment (DME) coverage, **PA phone #855-242-0802** or **PA fax #844-227-9205**.
- Utilize Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) or Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code. Billable HCPCS codes and coverage limitations:

Supply	HCPCS Code	Limitation
Sensors	A9276	Based on the Life of the Sensors Used.
Transmitters	A9277	Once per life of the product
Receiver	A9278	Once per life of the product

Approval Duration:

Prior Authorization Approval	Duration	Quantity Restrictions	Additional Requirements
Initial	1 year		

Box Warning: N/A

REMS: N/A

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