



Important Information regarding Medicare Part B Test Strips Preferred Products

Abbott Diabetes is the preferred manufacturer for blood glucose monitors and test strips for Blue Shield TotalDual Plan (HMO D-SNP), Blue Shield Inspire (HMO D-SNP), Blue Shield AdvantageOptimum Plan (HMO), and Blue Shield AdvantageOptimum Plan 1 (HMO).

FreeStyle® test strips (made by Abbott Diabetes) 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 will be required to submit a request via the Blue Shield pharmacy prior authorization process for test strips that are **not** FreeStyle or if you need to use more test strips and lancets.

If you are currently not using Freestyle test strips but would like to switch:

- 1. Talk with your doctor to find out if FreeStyle test strips will work for you.** You can also visit [ChooseFreeStyle.com](https://www.choosefreestyle.com) to learn more, or contact Abbott Diabetes Care Customer Care at **(800) 224-8892**.
- 2. Obtain a prescription from your doctor for FreeStyle test strips.** Please remember, you will also need a new prescription for a FreeStyle blood glucose monitor to use with your FreeStyle test strips. To obtain a FreeStyle blood glucose monitor at no cost, please visit [ChooseFreeStyle.com](https://www.choosefreestyle.com) or call Abbott at **(866) 224-8892** and mention the code **UA266Z3F**. **Please note:** Abbott Diabetes Care may limit the number of monitors you may obtain within a 3-year period.
- 3. Fill your prescription before you run out of your current test strips.** This will give you time to learn how to use your new FreeStyle blood glucose monitor while you still have your current supplies on hand. Also, your new FreeStyle blood glucose monitor will require compatible FreeStyle test strips. Your old strips will not work with your new blood glucose monitor. If you have questions on how to use your new FreeStyle blood glucose monitor and test strips, contact Abbott Diabetes Care Customer Care at **(800) 224-8892**.
- 4. In some cases, your doctor might think you need to continue using your current blood glucose monitor and test strips.** 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 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., seven days a week. Blue Shield AdvantageOptimum plans should call **(800) 776-4466 (TTY: 711)**, and Blue Shield TotalDual and Blue Shield Inspire plans should call **(800) 452-4413 (TTY: 711)**. We are ready to help you.

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Blue Shield of California Members with Diabetes



FreeStyle Lite
Compact and portable.
Perfect for on-the-go testing.



FreeStyle Freedom Lite
Large, easy to read display.
Comfortable to hold.

FreeStyle brand meters & test strips are Covered by Blue Shield of California

As a Blue Shield of California member, you can receive a **FREE*** meter by:

- **TAKING YOUR PRESCRIPTION**
for a FreeStyle meter and strips to your local retail pharmacy[†]
- **CALLING**
Abbott's diabetes care division toll-free at 1-866-224-8892 with Offer Code **UA266Z3F**
- **SIGNING UP**
at ChooseFreeStyle.com with Offer Code **UA266Z3F**

Learn more at ChooseFreeStyle.com



For In Vitro Diagnostic Use.

FreeStyle Lite blood glucose test strips are intended to be used with FreeStyle Lite and FreeStyle Freedom Lite meters only.

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