

Medicaid Diabetic Test Strip Quantity Limit for Gestational Diabetes

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Neighborhood Health Plan of Rhode Island is notifying providers about an important update regarding diabetic test strip prescriptions for members with gestational diabetes. New coding logic has been implemented to allow for greater than the usual quantity limit of diabetic test strips when the prescription is processed with a gestational diabetes diagnosis code at the pharmacy.

This update will allow members improved access to the supplies they need for more frequent testing (up to 200 test strips per 30 days) to manage their condition. When writing prescriptions for diabetic test strips for members with gestational diabetes, please include the appropriate diagnosis code (O24.4x) for the pharmacy to process. This update will decrease the requirement for providers to submit prior authorization requests for quantity limit exceptions.

Formulary diabetic supplies include:

- **Meters:** Accu-Chek Guide (Preferred), Accu-Chek Aviva Plus
- **Test Strips:** Accu-Chek Guide, Accu-Chek Aviva Plus, Accu-Chek Smartview
- **Lancets:** Any

Please note these updates impact the Medicaid line of business only.

Please see [our pharmacy page](#) for full list of formulary diabetic supplies for all lines of business.