

Updates to the Alberta Human Services Drug Benefit Supplement

Effective August 1, 2021

Alberta  Human Services

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The Drug Benefit List (DBL) is a list of drugs for which coverage may be provided to program participants. The DBL is not intended to be, and must not be used as a diagnostic or prescribing tool. Inclusion of a drug on the DBL does not mean or imply that the drug is fit or effective for any specific purpose. Prescribing professionals must always use their professional judgment and should refer to product monographs and any applicable practice guidelines when prescribing drugs. The product monograph contains information that may be required for the safe and effective use of the product.

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Restricted Benefit(s)

Effective August 1, 2021, coverage for blood glucose test strips will change from a regular benefit to restricted benefit. Plan members may be eligible for up to 3,000 blood glucose test strips purchased from a licensed pharmacy per benefit year based on their method of diabetes management.

New Drug Product(s) Available by Restricted Benefit

<u>Trade Name / Strength / Form</u>	<u>Generic Description</u>	<u>DIN</u>	<u>MFR</u>
ACCU-CHEK AVIVA BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444986	RDC
ACCU-CHEK COMPACT BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444985	RDC
ACCU-CHEK GUIDE BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444984	RDC
ACCU-CHEK MOBILE BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444983	RDC
CARESENS N MULTI BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444992	SEN
CONTOUR BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444989	ADC
CONTOUR NEXT BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444990	ADC
FIRST CANADIAN HEALTH SPIRIT BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444996	ARP
FREESTYLE LITE BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444987	ABD
FREESTYLE PRECISION BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444988	ABD
GE200 BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444982	BNE
MEDISURE BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444995	MDS
ONE TOUCH ULTRA BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444994	LIF
ONE TOUCH VERIO BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444993	LIF
RAPID RESPONSE GLUCO-MD BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000444998	BTN

Added Product(s)

<u>Trade Name / Strength / Form</u>	<u>Generic Description</u>	<u>DIN</u>	<u>MFR</u>
BLOOD KETONE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000990072	XXX

Product(s) Removed from the Alberta Drug Benefit List

The Alberta government-sponsored drug programs previously covered the following drug product(s). Effective August 1, 2021, the listed product(s) will no longer be a benefit. A transition period will be applied and as of September 1, 2021 claims will no longer pay for this product.

<u>Trade Name / Strength / Form</u>	<u>Generic Description</u>	<u>DIN</u>	<u>MFR</u>
BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS	DIABETES SUPPLIES	00000999955	XXX

PART 2

Drug Additions

DIABETES SUPPLIES

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	00000990072	BLOOD KETONE TEST STRIPS	XXX	\$	0.0000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	00000999941	BLOOD LETTING LANCET	XXX	\$	0.0000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	00000990058	GLUCOSE CALIBRATION SOLUTION	XXX	\$	0.0000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	00000990045	INFUSION SETS (TUBING & NEEDLE)	XXX	\$	0.0000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	00000990057	INSULIN CARTRIDGES / RESERVOIRS	XXX	\$	0.0000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	00000999985	INSULIN PEN NEEDLES	XXX	\$	0.0000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	00000999952	INSULIN SYRINGES	XXX	\$	0.0000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	00000999942	LANCING DEVICE	XXX	\$	0.0000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	00000999957	URINE TEST STRIPS	XXX	\$	0.0000

BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	00000444992	CARESENS N MULTI	SEN		0.5000
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This product is a benefit for patients with diabetes when purchased from a licensed pharmacy.

Eligible individuals will have coverage for eligible blood glucose test strips for each benefit year up to a maximum of:

- 3,000 strips for patients with diabetes who are currently and regularly using insulin, OR
- 400 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with high risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	00000444996	FIRST CANADIAN HEALTH SPIRIT	ARP	\$	0.5000
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- 3,000 strips for patients with diabetes who are currently and regularly using insulin, OR
- 400 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with high risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	00000444982	GE200	BNE	\$	0.5100
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Eligible individuals will have coverage for eligible blood glucose test strips for each benefit year up to a maximum of:

- 3,000 strips for patients with diabetes who are currently and regularly using insulin, OR
- 400 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with high risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	00000444995	MEDISURE	MDS	\$	0.6800
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OR

-200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia,

OR

-200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

00000444984 ACCU-CHEK GUIDE RDC \$ 0.6813

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-400 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with high risk of hypoglycemia,

OR

-200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia,

OR

-200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

00000444988 FREESTYLE PRECISION ABD \$ 0.6890

This product is a benefit for patients with diabetes when purchased from a licensed pharmacy.

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-3,000 strips for patients with diabetes who are currently and regularly using insulin, OR

-400 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with high risk of hypoglycemia,

OR

-200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia,

OR

-200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

00000444987 FREESTYLE LITE ABD \$ 0.6900

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Eligible individuals will have coverage for eligible blood glucose test strips for each benefit year up to a maximum of:

-3,000 strips for patients with diabetes who are currently and regularly using insulin, OR

-400 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with high risk of hypoglycemia,

OR

-200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia,

OR

-200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

00000444994 ONE TOUCH ULTRA LIF \$ 0.6943

This product is a benefit for patients with diabetes when purchased from a licensed pharmacy.

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-3,000 strips for patients with diabetes who are currently and regularly using insulin, OR

-400 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with high risk of hypoglycemia,

OR

-200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia,

OR

-200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

The DBL is not a prescribing or a diagnostic tool. Prescribers should refer to drug monographs and utilize professional judgment.

BLOOD GLUCOSE TEST STRIPS

00000444993 ONE TOUCH VERIO LIF \$ 0.6943

This product is a benefit for patients with diabetes when purchased from a licensed pharmacy.

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- 400 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with high risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

00000444989 CONTOUR ADC \$ 0.6989

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- 200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

00000444990 CONTOUR NEXT ADC \$ 0.6989

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- 3,000 strips for patients with diabetes who are currently and regularly using insulin, OR
- 400 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with high risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

00000444998 RAPID RESPONSE GLUCO-MD BTN \$ 0.7000

This product is a benefit for patients with diabetes when purchased from a licensed pharmacy.

Eligible individuals will have coverage for eligible blood glucose test strips for each benefit year up to a maximum of:

- 3,000 strips for patients with diabetes who are currently and regularly using insulin, OR
- 400 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with high risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

00000444986 ACCU-CHEK AVIVA RDC \$ 0.7125

This product is a benefit for patients with diabetes when purchased from a licensed pharmacy.

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- 200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

00000444985 ACCU-CHEK COMPACT RDC \$ 0.7125

This product is a benefit for patients with diabetes when purchased from a licensed pharmacy.

Eligible individuals will have coverage for eligible blood glucose test strips for each benefit year up to a maximum of:

- 3,000 strips for patients with diabetes who are currently and regularly using insulin, OR
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- 200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.

00000444983 ACCU-CHEK MOBILE RDC \$ 0.7125

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- 200 strips for patients treated with diabetes medications with low risk of hypoglycemia, OR
- 200 strips for patients treated by diet and/or exercise.