## **Diabetic Testing Supplies**

Quick Reference Guide for Billing Medicare

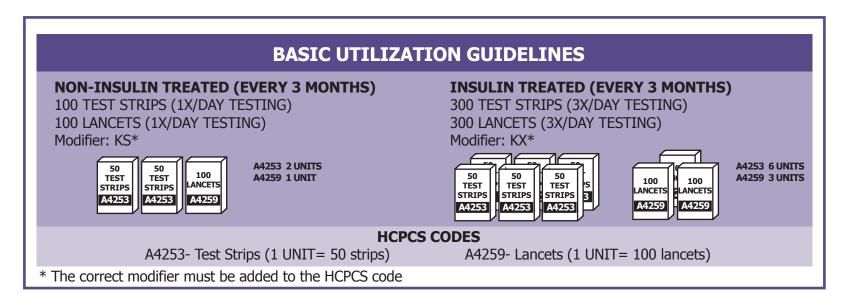


## **GENERAL COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS**

Glucose monitor coverage criteria must be met (see Medical Policy)
Patient or caregiver must specifically request each refill- no automatic shipping
Patient has nearly used their current supply

## **VALID ORDER CONTENTS**

Item(s) to be dispensed
Specific Frequency of testing
Treating physician's signature
Date of the treating physician's signature
Start date of the order, if it is different than the signature date



## ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS FOR QUANTITIES OF SUPPLIES THAT EXCEED BASIC UTILIZATION GUIDELINES:

Physician has seen and evaluated the patient within 6 months prior to the date of the order Physician has documented the specific reason for higher testing frequency Physician or supplier has documented the actual testing frequency every 6 months

Supplier created data collection forms are not sufficient by themselves to document medical necessity. Any information that they contain must be corroborated by information contained in the patient's medical record.

Orders, additional documentation for excess quantities (if applicable), and documentation of refill request from the patient must be available to the DMERC upon request.

Refer to the Glucose Monitor medical policy for more information on coverage, coding, & documentation requirements.