

Network Notification

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To: Ohio & Michigan Providers

From: CareSource

Subject: New Diabetic Supplier – Abbott Laboratories

CareSource is pleased to announce that we are partnering with Abbott Laboratories for our diabetic members' meters and strips. **Abbott supplies are preferred for CareSource members.**

Abbott materials include:

FreeStyle Lite® Blood Glucose Monitoring Systems and Test Strips Precision Xtra® Blood Glucose Monitoring Systems and Test Strips

Benefits to Providers:

- Prior Authorization is not required for Abbott meters/strips
- Members are eligible to receive a free meter once a year; strips for members are available as often as needed from Abbott Laboratories

Benefits to Members:

- Members can join the Abbott Diabetes Care program and pick up their supplies directly at the pharmacy
- Members can still utilize Great Lakes Medical Supplier, and Great Lakes will ship Abbott products directly to the member's home

Action Requested:

Please prescribe the Abbott FreeStyle Lite® and Precision Xtra® products to CareSource members. These supplies are free and do not require prior authorization from providers. Abbott supplies are preferred for CareSource members; meters and strips from other suppliers will require prior authorization.