



## New Glucometer and Testing Supplies Vendor

*See changes to list of preferred brands of glucometers*

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Dear Participating Medicaid Provider,

As part of our ongoing effort to offer our membership access to quality, cost-effective care, WellCare of Ohio, Inc. has made the following changes to its list of preferred brands of glucometers.

**Effective January 1, 2009, Bayer brand glucometers are no longer being covered for members enrolled with WellCare.** Members who are currently using Bayer brand testing supplies will still be able to receive them. However, all NEW prescriptions for glucometers and testing supplies must be written for one of our preferred products.

<u>Glucometer</u>	<u>Formulary Status</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
<u>Accu-Chek<sup>®</sup> Active Care Kit</u>	<u>Preferred</u>	<u>Current</u>
<u>Accu-Chek<sup>®</sup> Advantage Care Kit</u>	<u>Preferred</u>	<u>Current</u>
<u>Accu-Chek<sup>®</sup> Aviva Care Kit</u>	<u>Preferred</u>	<u>Current</u>
<u>Accu-Chek<sup>®</sup> Compact Plus Care Kit</u>	<u>Preferred</u>	<u>Current</u>
<u>FreeStyle Lite<sup>®</sup> Meter</u>	<u>Preferred</u>	<u>January 1, 2009</u>
<u>FreeStyle Freedom<sup>®</sup> Lite Meter</u>	<u>Preferred</u>	<u>January 1, 2009</u>
<u>Precision Xtra<sup>®</sup> Meter</u>	<u>Preferred</u>	<u>January 1, 2009</u>
<u>Ascensia Breeze<sup>®</sup> Diabetes Care System</u>	<b><u>Bayer - Not Covered</u></b>	<u>January 1, 2009</u>
<u>Ascensia Breeze<sup>®</sup> 2 Diabetes Care System</u>	<b><u>Bayer - Not Covered</u></b>	<u>January 1, 2009</u>
<u>Ascensia Contour<sup>®</sup> Diabetes Care System</u>	<b><u>Bayer - Not Covered</u></b>	<u>January 1, 2009</u>
<u>Ascensia Elite<sup>®</sup> Diabetes Care System</u>	<b><u>Bayer - Not Covered</u></b>	<u>January 1, 2009</u>
<u>Ascensia Elite<sup>®</sup> XL Diabetes Care System</u>	<b><u>Bayer - Not Covered</u></b>	<u>January 1, 2009</u>

**Effective January 1, 2009, glucometers may be obtained at network pharmacies with a valid prescription.** In addition, Accu-Chek<sup>®</sup> Active, Advantage, Aviva or Compact Plus glucometers may also be obtained by faxing a completed Accu-Chek<sup>®</sup> Meter Form to 1-888-801-2938.

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**Mailing Address:**

P.O. Box 31577  
Tampa, Florida 33631-3577

Freestyle Lite<sup>®</sup>, Freedom<sup>®</sup> Lite or Precision Xtra<sup>®</sup> glucometers may be obtained by faxing a completed Abbott Meter Form to 1-866-535-8891. For your convenience, the form is posted online at <http://ohio.wellcare.com/provider/forms>.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this program and with your use of our Preferred Drug List (PDL). If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact the Pharmacy Services Department at 1-800-678-3184.

Thank you,  
WellCare of Ohio, Inc.