

PATIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Most pharmaceutical companies offer financial assistance programs to persons who have trouble affording their diabetic medications or diabetic supplies.

Each program has specific criteria that must be satisfied in order for an individual to be considered eligible for a financial assistance program.

Contact Information for Pharmaceutical Companies:

INSULIN

Eli Lilly and Company (Insulin)

Lilly Diabetes Solutions Center
833-808-1234

www.lilly.com/diabetessolutioncenter

Humulin (insulin)

The Lilly Cares Foundation, Inc.
800-545-6962

www.lillycares.com

Novo Nordisk Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Insulin)

800-727-6500

www.ada.cornerstones4care.com

Sanofi-Aventis Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Patient Assistance Connection
888-847-4877

www.sanofipatientconnection.com

Insulins Valyou Savings Program

833-813-0190

www.insulinsvalyou.com

INSULIN SYRINGES

BD (Becton, Dickson and Company)

BD Insulin Syringe Assist Program
866-818-6906

www.bd.com

PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS

Pfizer

Drugs: Glucotrol (glipizide) and Glucotrol XL (glipizide extended release)
Connection to Care, Pfizer Helpful Answers

800-707-8990

www.phahelps.com

DISCOUNT PROGRAMS & DATABASES

BLINK HEALTH

Offers discounted prices for many medications.
(Works with Eli Lilly and Company)

www.blinkhealth.com

GOOD RX

Provides a searchable database of current prices and discounts for medications.

www.goodrx.com

Inside Rx

Offers discounted prices for many medications.

www.insiderx.com

Rx Assist

Provides a comprehensive database of pharmaceutical assistance programs.

www.rxassist.org

ACCU-CHEK

DISCOUNT PROGRAM/COUPONS FOR METERS & SUPPLIES

<https://www.accu-chek.com/microsites/free-medicare-blood-glucose-meter>

PRICE CHOPPER DIABETES ADVANTAGE PROGRAM

Receive free diabetes medication, supplies, and GE glucose meter. \$14.99 test strips (#50 GE)

Free Diabetes Medication:

- Glimepiride
- Glipizide
- Glipizide XL
- Glyburide
- Metformin
- Metformin ER

Free Diabetes Supplies:

- FREE GE Glucose Meter - \$11.99 50ct. GE Test Strips
- Lancets
- Lancet Device

MEDICARE GUIDELINES FOR DIABETIC SUPPLIES:

Medicare Part B Covers:

- Blood sugar (glucose) test strips
- Blood glucose monitors, lancet devices and lancets
- Glucose control solutions for checking the accuracy of test strips and monitors
- Insulin ONLY IF you are using a medically necessary insulin pump

There are coverage limits on the quantity and frequency you can get these supplies.

- If insulin dependent, may be able to get up to 300 test strips and 300 lancets every 3-6 months.
- If non-insulin dependent, may be able to get up to 100 test strips and 100 lancets every 3-6 months.
- If the physician says it is “medically necessary”, Medicare will allow additional test strips and lancets.

Medicare Part B Does Not Cover:

- Insulin (unless used with a medically necessary pump)
- Insulin pens, syringes, or needles
- Alcohol swabs or gauze

For specific information on what Medicare covers for diabetic supplies, visit:

<https://tinyurl.com/medicare-diabetes-coverage>

If you have Medicare prescription drug coverage (Medicare Part D), insulin and certain medical supplies used to inject insulin may be covered through the drug plan.

Generally, a consumer pays 20% of the Medicare-approved amounts for diabetic supplies. Those with a supplemental insurance, in addition to Medicare, may be able to have the 20% billed to that supplemental insurance.

Must get supplies from a pharmacy or supplier that is a “Medicare Provider”, enrolled in Medicare. If they are not, Medicare will not pay, and the consumer will have to pay the entire bill. All Medicare-enrolled pharmacies and suppliers must submit claims for diabetic testing supplies. A consumer cannot send in the claim themselves.

Need to ask pharmacy or supplier if:

- They are enrolled in Medicare
- They accept assignment

Contact Medicare to find participating pharmacies/suppliers:

- Medicare.gov/supplier
- 800-MEDICARE (800-633-4227)