

BLOOD GLUCOSE METERS

PURPOSE

To obtain blood glucose levels per protocol. The results are used for screening and/or treatment.

METER MAINTENANCE

- A. Keep the meter dry and avoid exposing it to extremes in temperature.
- B. Dropping the meter could damage its electronics. If the meter is dropped, do a control test to ensure that it is working properly.
- C. Following manufacturer's recommendations, clean meter when there is dirt or blood present.
- D. Label each bottle of control solution with the discard date. Store in cool, dry place.
- E. Label each bottle of test strips with discard date. Keep strips in original container and store in a cool, dry place.
- F. Do not use test strips or control solution after the manufacturer's expiration date or discard date.

QUALITY CONTROL TESTING

- A. Quality control testing is to be done per manufacturer's recommendations and:
 - 1. Whenever patient test results appear inconsistent with symptoms;
 - 2. If the meter has been dropped
- B. Document test results on a log sheet.