

Bayer's A1CNow+® FAQ

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PROCEDURE

Is Bayer's A1CNow+ CLIA waived?

Yes. Bayer's A1CNow+ is CLIA waived.

How difficult is the procedure?

Bayer's A1CNow+ provides results in 5 minutes. Once the sample is acquired, it is diluted using the sample dilution kit then applied to the test cartridge according to the steps outlined in the professional procedure guide.

How much blood is required to perform the test?

Bayer's A1CNow+ requires a 5 µL blood sample to perform the test. Samples may be taken from either a finger stick or venous draw and prepared using the sample dilution kit according to the procedure steps.

How long does it take the system to produce results?

Once the sample is prepared and added to the test cartridge, Bayer's A1CNow+ provides results in 5 minutes.

Can I run multiple tests at the same time?

Bayer's A1CNow+ is a fully self contained, portable testing system which requires no expensive capital equipment. This allows physicians' offices the ability to operate multiple devices in as many exam rooms as necessary.

TECHNICAL

How accurate is Bayer's A1CNow+?

Bayer's A1CNow+ is lab accurate*. It is certified annually by NGSP (National Glycohemoglobin Standardization Program).

What is the technology behind Bayer's A1CNow+?

Bayer's A1CNow+ uses dry chemistry and micro-optics.

The monitor simultaneously analyzes two independent A1C tests and has several built in controls for accuracy.

Does Bayer's A1CNow+ have to warm up before use?

If refrigerated, the test will need to come to room temperature for one hour before testing, otherwise the system is ready to use out of the box.

What is the shelf life of Bayer's A1CNow+?

The Bayer A1CNow+ system is stable at room temperature for up to 4 months. When refrigerated, the system is stable for up to 12 months but must be brought to room temperature for one hour before use.

What do the error codes mean? If I get an error code and have more tests left on the monitor will I lose the rest of the tests?

All error messages should be called into Bayer Technical Services and they will be able to assist you. Getting an error message usually will not mean that you cannot use the monitor. If you get an "OR" error message it typically means that the procedure was not done correctly and you can use a new cartridge to perform the test again. Receiving a "QC" message means that the system did not pass the internal controls. If you receive an error message, please call 1.877.212.4968.

How long will the result be displayed on the monitor?

There is adequate time to both record the result and to show the result on the monitor to the patient. The result will stay for 60 minutes or until you insert a new test cartridge.

REIMBURSEMENT

Is Bayer's A1CNow+ reimbursable?

See reverse side for details under "A1CNow+ Is Reimbursable".

* Study results with healthcare professionals showed that the accuracy of A1CNow+® with finger stick samples was, on average, 99%. This means that, on average, a true 7% A1C could read approximately 6.9% A1C. An individual A1CNow+® result may differ by as much as -1.0% A1C to +0.8% A1C from the true result. This represents the 95% confidence limits of a Bland-Altman plot.

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