

JORDAN VALLEY EMS AUTHORITY POLICY

POLICY #: 201.0.3

SUBJECT: GLUCOMETERS

CAAS STANDARD: 201.0.3

SCOPE: ALL EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to guide all JVEMSA employees in the approved procedures for obtaining a blood glucose reading, govern glucometer training, and assure calibration.

POLICY:

It is the policy of JVEMSA that whenever a new glucometer is purchased or March of a new year occurs, the staff will be trained on the use of the new or currently utilized glucometer, which is to include, at a minimum, proper use and calibration. JVEMSA does hold a CLIA Certificate of Waiver which is producible upon request.

PROCEDURE:

GLUCOMETER TRAINING

When a new glucometer is put into service or March of a new year occurs, all staff will be trained to utilize the glucometer per the manufacturer's specifications. Each employee will be required to:

1. Review the instructions manual provided with the glucometer.
2. Complete the company-created glucometer training and attain a passing grade on the quiz.

QUALITY CONTROL

A control test should be done according to manufacturer specifications or whenever a new bottle of strips is opened. Only solutions recommended by the manufacturer are to be used, and solutions will be discarded on or before their expiration dates.

BLOOD GLUCOSE ANALYSIS

1. Wear appropriate protective gear such as disposable gloves.
2. Insert the test strip per manufacturer recommendations.
3. Appropriately sanitize the area to be tested (if using a capillary sample) with alcohol and allow to dry or wipe clean.
4. Apply the sample to the strip as recommended by the manufacturer.
5. Discard the strip into an appropriately marked biohazard container.