

CPT Code:

83036 QW — For professional use in the management of diabetes mellitus where regular determinations of blood glucose levels are required. Glycated hemoglobin assesses glycemic control over a period of approximately 120 days.

QW — A modifier used when coding for Medicare and Medicaid indicating that the test and laboratory have received a Certificate of Waiver. If overlooked or omitted when filing, it will result in denial of the Medicare or Medicaid claim.

36416 — Collection of capillary blood (Fingerstick) specimen

36415 — Collection of venous blood (green top/heparin) by venipuncture

A1CNow⁺ Systems: CLIA-Waived

The A1CNow⁺ system from PTS Diagnostics provides healthcare professionals with a fast, easy, and accurate method of obtaining HbA1c results in the exam room. In 5 minutes, clinicians have information to provide an immediate consultation with a patient. The CLIA-Waived A1CNow⁺ system is critical to diabetes management and is fully reimbursable.

Steps to Obtain Medicare Reimbursement for A1C Testing

The first step for a physician office to obtain Medicare reimbursement for point-of-care A1C testing is to obtain a CLIA Certificate of Waiver. The physician office or laboratory will need to pay a fee every two years, and agree to follow manufacturer's instructions for performing clinical lab tests.

PTS Diagnostics provides redirect links that will take users directly to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services website to begin this simple process.

1 **Instructions on how to complete CLIA Certificate of Waiver form¹**
[CLIA-Certificate-Brochure.ptsdiagnostics.com](http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/CLIA/Downloads/HowObtainCertificateofWaiver.pdf)

2 **PDF of CLIA Certificate of Waiver form²**
[CLIA-Certificate.ptsdiagnostics.com](http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/CLIA/Downloads/HowObtainCertificateofWaiver.pdf)

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