

# WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT COVID-19 MEDICATIONS

Medications are now available to prevent and treat COVID-19. Along with vaccines, boosters, testing, and masking, these medications are another way we can keep ourselves and our communities safe from COVID-19.



## PRESCRIPTION ONLY

Talk to your healthcare provider if you want more information or think these medications are right for you. Share any health concerns and current medications you are taking. A health care provider will tell you if you are eligible and explain your options.

If you do not have a healthcare provider, call the Public Health Call Center at **1-833-540-0473**.

## WHAT ARE THE COSTS?

Medications are free, but there may be charges from the healthcare provider.

- If you **have private insurance**, check your plan to see if it covers all costs.
- If you **do NOT have private insurance**, ask the pharmacy, hospital, or doctor's office about other fees.
- Call the Public Health Center at **1-833-540-0473** for care that is free.

Medicare and Medicaid cover all costs.



These medications are **NOT a replacement for the COVID-19 vaccine** and do **NOT change Isolation & Quarantine guidelines**. If you are eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine, you should get vaccinated as soon as possible.

# MEDICATION TO PREVENT COVID-19

If you can't get the COVID-19 vaccine for medical reasons your health care provider may prescribe medication to better protect you from severe COVID-19.

Prevention medicine is available for ages 12+ who can't get a COVID-19 vaccine for medical reasons or who may not respond well to a vaccine because they have a weak immune system due to a medical condition or treatment.



## WHAT TO DO:

**Talk to your healthcare provider** if you think these medications are right for you. Share any health concerns and current medications you are taking.

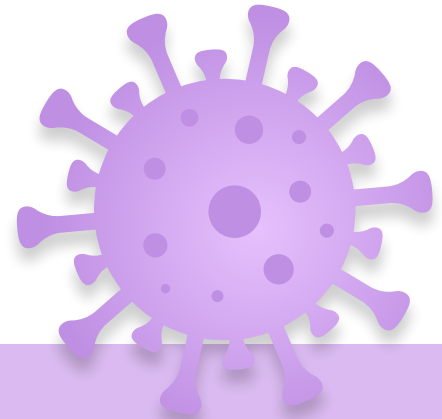
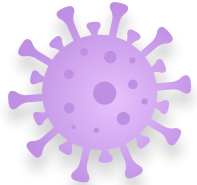
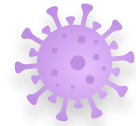
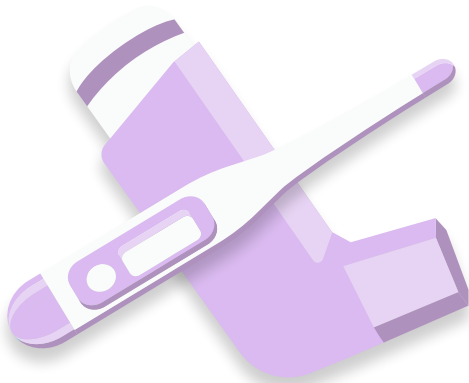
# MEDICATION TO TREAT COVID-19

If you test positive for COVID-19 and are at elevated risk of getting very sick, there are treatment medications available. Some elevated risk medical conditions include:

- Have/had cancer
- Have diabetes
- Have/had a heart condition
- Have a chronic kidney, liver, or lung disease
- Are pregnant
- Are overweight or obese

Oral and injectable treatments are available for ages 12+ and can prevent you from going to the hospital if you take them as soon as possible after symptoms begin:

- Cough
- Fever or chills
- Difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Headache



## WHAT TO DO:

**Call a healthcare provider right away** and ask about treatment medications if you test positive for COVID-19 and have symptoms.

**Or use the *Test to Treat* program** to be tested on site. If you test positive, you may get medication during the same visit.

Additionally, you can connect with Public Health Telehealth services at **1-833-540-0473** for evaluation and treatment. If you already have a positive test, you may get medication sent to you directly or to a local *Test to Treat* site for pick-up.