COVID-19 Treatments Are Available

COVID-19 treatments can lower the amount of virus in your body, reduce symptoms and help you avoid hospitalization. Treatment works best when you start it soon after you become sick, so it is important to get tested right away if you have symptoms.

If you have COVID-19 symptoms or test positive, call your health care provider or 212-COVID-19 (212-268-4319) right away to ask about treatment.

What types of treatment are available?

Oral antivirals (pills taken for five days) are the most common type of treatment. People age 12 and older whose symptoms began in the last five days can get oral antiviral treatment, if eligible.

People younger than age 12 or those who cannot take oral antivirals may be able to get other types of treatment.

Who is eligible for treatment?

People who test positive for COVID-19 (using any type of test) and have symptoms may be eligible for treatment.

Ask about treatment, especially if you:

• Are age 50 and older

• Have an underlying health condition, such as obesity, diabetes, heart conditions, lung conditions, kidney disease, a weakened immune system or are pregnant

Tell your provider if you are taking any medications, as it may impact the kind of treatment you can get.

How do I get treatment?

Your provider can prescribe oral antiviral treatment if you are eligible or help you find other treatment options. You can also:

• Contact New York City Health + Hospitals (NYC H+H) Virtual ExpressCare at **expresscare.nyc** or 631-EXP-Care (631-397-2273).

• Visit the federal Test to Treat locator at **aspr.hhs.gov/testtotreat**.

How much does treatment cost?

Check with your provider, pharmacy and health plan about any cost-sharing for medicines or treatment services. NYC H+H provides care regardless of immigration status or ability to pay.

Vaccination is the best way to protect yourself, your family and your community from COVID-19. To find a vaccination site, visit **nyc.gov/vaccinefinder** or call 212-COVID-19 (212-268-4319).

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