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 get it soon after you become sick, so it is important to get tested right away if you have symptoms or were recently exposed.

If you test positive, call your health care provider or 212-COVID19 (212-268-4319) to ask about treatment.

What types of treatment are available?
There are two types of treatment:
- Oral antiviral pills — Medicine taken daily for five days
- Monoclonal antibodies — A one-time intravenous (IV) treatment

Who is eligible for treatment?
People ages 12 and older who test positive for COVID-19 (using any type of test) and have symptoms that began within the last seven days are eligible for treatment.

Ask about treatment, especially if you:
- Are age 65 and older
- Have an underlying health condition, such as obesity, diabetes, heart conditions, chronic lung conditions, chronic kidney disease, a weakened immune system, or are pregnant

How do I get treatment?
If you test positive, call your provider right away for help finding a treatment site or getting a prescription. You can also talk to an NYC Health + Hospitals doctor by visiting expresscare.nyc or calling 212-268-4319. To find a monoclonal antibody treatment site, visit on.nyc.gov/findcovidtreatment.

Can I choose which type of treatment I get?
Talk to your provider to decide what treatment is right for you.

How much does treatment cost?
Oral antiviral treatment is currently free. Monoclonal antibody treatment is covered by Medicaid and Medicare plans at no cost. If you have private insurance, check with the treating facility and your health plan about any cost-sharing. NYC Health + Hospitals provides care regardless of immigration status or ability to pay.

To find a COVID-19 test site, visit nyc.gov/covidtest or call 311.

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 877-VAX-4NYC (877-829-4692).