COVID-19 ANTIVIRALS

If you are 50 and over, have diabetes, cancer, mental health conditions, obesity, asthma, or a number of other health conditions, you may have a higher risk of getting very sick from COVID-19. If you get COVID-19, there are two oral antiviral medicines available to help reduce your risk—Paxlovid and Lagevrio. There is also one intravenous (IV) option—Veklury (Remdesivir)—that is given in a healthcare facility.

It’s important to act quickly for the best results. At the first sign of any symptoms like fever, cough or trouble breathing, take a COVID-19 test. If the test is positive, contact a healthcare provider to talk about treatment.

**ORAL ANTIVIRAL TREATMENTS FOR COVID-19**

- **Must be started within 5 days after symptoms appear.**

**DAY 1**

- **Symptoms Begin:** At the first sign of any symptoms like fever, cough or trouble breathing, take a COVID-19 test. If the test is positive, contact a healthcare provider to talk about treatment.

**DAY 1–5**

- There is a short window of time to start an oral antiviral treatment for COVID-19.
  - **Paxlovid (adults and children 12 years of age and older):** Oral medication that needs to be taken as soon as possible and up to 5 days after the first symptoms start.
  - **Lagevrio (adults):** Oral medication that needs to be taken as soon as possible and up to 5 days after the first symptoms start.

**IV ANTIVIRAL TREATMENT FOR COVID-19**

- **Must be started within 7 days after symptoms appear.**

**DAY 1**

- **Symptoms Begin:** At the first sign of any symptoms like fever, cough or trouble breathing, take a COVID-19 test. If the test is positive, contact a healthcare provider to talk about treatment.

**DAY 1–5**

- There is a short window of time to start an IV antiviral treatment for COVID-19.
  - **Veklury (adults and children at least 28 days old and weighing 7 lbs.):** An IV medicine given in a healthcare facility that must be given as soon as possible and up to 7 days after symptoms begin.


For more information about symptoms and risks visit: [cveep.org/respiratory](https://cveep.org/respiratory)