

# Oral Treatment Options for COVID-19

LEARN ABOUT AT-HOME ORAL MEDICATION TO TREAT MILD-TO-MODERATE COVID-19



Paxlovid<sup>™</sup> and Lagevrio<sup>™</sup> are oral antiviral medications. They are approved medications for emergency use authorization by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to treat COVID-19. And, they have been proven to be safe and effective.

These oral antiviral treatments **are not meant to replace vaccinations and booster shots.** They help reduce the risk of you having to go to the hospital – or worse, death – due to COVID-19.

If you have COVID-19 symptoms and have tested positive for COVID-19, these outpatient COVID-19 medications can be prescribed to help combat mild-to-moderate symptoms. You should begin taking the medications as soon as possible after testing positive for COVID-19. And, you should take them within five days of symptom onset.

## **Paxlovid**

The COVID-19 Treatment Guidelines Panel recommends Paxlovid as the preferred COVID-19 treatment for people who have tested positive using SARS-CoV-2 viral testing. And, for those at high risk of getting severe COVID-19. (This includes being admitted to a hospital or death.)

## Lagevrio

The Treatment Guidelines Panel suggests using Lagevrio **only when Paxlovid is not available.** Or, when Paxlovid cannot be used.

Be sure to speak to your doctor or health care provider if you have symptoms or test positive for COVID-19. Ask your doctor or health care provider if these COVID-19 treatments are right for you.

For more information about Paxlovid and Lagevrio, see the chart on page 2.

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## Find pharmacies easily

These COVID-19 oral antiviral pills are available by prescription only. Find a pharmacy that carries them:

1 Use this QR code:



- 2 Click in the search box and type an address or ZIP code.
- 3 Then press enter for a list of nearby pharmacies.

## COVID-19 antiviral pills: Facts At-a-Glance

	Paxlovid (Pfizer) (Nirmatrelvir/ritonavir)	Lagevrio (Merck) (Molnupiravir)
What should you take this for?	Use these to treat mild to moderate COVID-19 symptoms.	
How do you take it?	Take <b>three pills</b> by mouth twice a day – morning and evening (six pills total, per day). Take them with – or without – food.  Must be swallowed whole.	Take <b>four pills</b> by mouth twice a day – morning and evening (eight pills total, per day). Take them with – or without – food. Must be swallowed whole.
Who can take it?	Ages 12+, weighing 88+ pounds and at high risk.	Ages 18+ and at high risk. Not approved for use in patients younger than 18, since this drug may affect bone and cartilage growth.
How does it work?	Blocks a protein the virus uses to grow.	Inserts itself into the virus' genetic make-up.
How effective is it?	Lowers the risk by <b>almost 90%.</b>	Lowers the risk by <b>about 30%.</b>
Are there any side effects?	Known side effects include: Diarrhea, high blood pressure, muscle aches, change in taste.	Known side effects include: Dizziness, nausea and diarrhea.
How do patients get the medication?	Prescription only.	
When should it be prescribed?	R Start within five days after symptoms first begin.	
How long do you take the pills?	Five days.	

<sup>1</sup>Should only be used when no other treatment is available for mild to moderate COVID-19.



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  - Complaint forms are available at http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Pages/Language Access.aspx
- <u>Electronically</u>: Send an email to <u>CivilRights@dhcs.ca.gov</u>

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- <u>Electronically</u>: Visit the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal at https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf

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