



If you are at high risk for severe COVID-19 and test positive, are treatments available?



Am I at higher risk for progressing to severe COVID-19?



Certain medical conditions, which increase with age among adults, can put you at higher risk for progressing to severe COVID-19. Some medical conditions include diabetes, heart disease, lung disease, obesity, and smoking, among many others. These conditions also seem to put patients at higher risk of being hospitalized for COVID-19.

Among adults, high blood pressure, obesity, and chronic lung disease were the most prevalent underlying conditions in those hospitalized for COVID-19 from March 2020 to August 2022.



What if I test positive for COVID-19?



If you test positive for COVID-19, and have high risk factors, immediately speak to your healthcare provider to discuss available treatment options. The U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) has authorized treatments for emergency use only for people with mild-to-moderate symptoms of COVID-19 who test positive for the virus and are at high risk for progression to severe COVID-19, including hospitalization or death.

Authorized treatments have been shown to significantly reduce hospitalizations and deaths in patients at increased risk for progressing to severe COVID-19.



How do I take these treatments?



Some therapies can be taken by mouth for 5 days, while some others require intravenous administration.



Is it easy to receive these treatments if needed?



Yes, the national Test to Treat program gives you quick access to COVID-19 testing. If you test positive at a Test to Treat location and your healthcare provider determines that an authorized treatment is appropriate, then your prescription can be provided and filled right there. “One-stop Test to Treat” sites are available at hundreds of locations nationwide. To find sites in your area, visit the COVID-19 Test to Treat locator at <https://covid-19-test-to-treat-locator-dhhs.hub.arcgis.com/>.



What information will my doctor need from me?



If you have a positive COVID-19 test, speak to your healthcare provider immediately to discuss appropriate treatment options. Be sure to inform your doctor about

- Any allergies
- Liver or kidney diseases
- Any serious illnesses
- Pregnancy or plans to become pregnant
- Breast-feeding a child
- Any current medications or herbal supplements



For more information about COVID-19 treatment options, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention COVID-19 website*

*The QR code on this page will take you to a website that is owned and operated by the CDC. Pfizer is not responsible for the content or services of this site.