

Paxlovid and Other Therapeutics

This document intends to cover essential information and resources needed to identify eligible patients and prescribe Paxlovid, as well as other therapeutics. As COVID-19 cases rise in Maryland, Paxlovid is critically important to prevent adverse outcomes and we want to ensure you are well equipped with information and knowledge so you can prescribe Paxlovid to your eligible patients.

Supply is plentiful: The State of Maryland has ensured that there is adequate supply of Paxlovid throughout the state. You can quickly identify where Paxlovid and other therapeutics are available via this [Federal Therapeutics locator](#).

Eligibility: Patients that are 12+ and weigh at least 40kg, test positive for COVID-19, and are at risk for progression to severe COVID-19 are good candidates for therapeutics and should be [screened for eligibility for Paxlovid](#) and other therapeutic options.

- Use the [FDA Paxlovid screening eligibility document](#) for drug-drug interaction considerations

Statins: Patients that are on HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors (statins) can *still* be prescribed Paxlovid, as long as certain precautions are taken prior to prescription. These medications need to be paused while the patient is taking Paxlovid, but can be resumed once the Paxlovid course is completed. Additional information including clinical guidance on prescribing Paxlovid for patients that are taking statins, can be found in the [FDA Paxlovid screening eligibility document](#) and the [FDA Fact Sheet for Paxlovid](#).

According to the NIH prioritization guidelines, Paxlovid should be considered first as a COVID-19 therapeutic option. Beyond Paxlovid, other COVID-19 therapeutics can be considered for patients. Other therapeutic options are listed below in accordance with [NIH prioritization guidance](#):

- Remdesivir - by prescription, 3 consecutive days of IV administration
 - [FDA Press Announcement on approval of Veklury \(Remdesivir\) for COVID-19 Treatment](#)
- Molnupiravir - by prescription, 5 days of oral agents
 - [FDA Fact Sheet for Healthcare Providers](#)
- Bebtelovimab - by referral, single IV (push) infusion
 - [FDA Fact Sheet for Healthcare Providers](#)

Eligibility and indications for Paxlovid are broad, don't hesitate to use your clinical judgment and discretion to identify patients that are in need of Paxlovid prescriptions and referrals for other COVID-19 therapeutics.