

# EMERGENCY DEPLOYMENT OF COVID-19 THERAPEUTICS FOR PATIENTS IN CONGREGATE CARE SETTINGS

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## Purpose:

This document is to support VDH Epidemiologists and Local Health Districts (LHDs), Long-Term Care Facility (LTCF) Coordinators, LTCF Pharmacies and other stakeholders to request immediate deployment of COVID-19 therapeutics in the event of a COVID-19 outbreak in a congregate care facility. This document is intended to define appropriate next steps for facilities to request COVID-19 treatment for patients, such as a monoclonal antibody (mAb) and/or oral antiviral.

**COVID-19 outbreaks are required to be reported to the facility's LHD.**

**Once the facility has reported the outbreak, the facility should consider the following steps to receive COVID-19 treatment for residents:**

1. Contact your **partner (contracted) pharmacy** to request treatment; partner pharmacy will:
  - b. Coordinate the process of providing the treatment to your facility
  - c. Provide an overview of treatment options
  - d. Provide any available treatments on-hand
2. If a facility **does not have a partner pharmacy** or if your **pharmacy partner does not have the treatment, or a sufficient amount of treatment doses, available**, submit a COVID-19 treatment request form to the VDH Healthcare Coordination and Therapeutics Team.
  - a. Complete request form [here](#)  
If you are unable to access the link or experience issues, email [covid19therapeutics@vdh.virginia.gov](mailto:covid19therapeutics@vdh.virginia.gov)
  - b. Fill out the request form with the correct contact, address, and outbreak information
3. Once the request form is complete, the VDH Healthcare Coordination & Therapeutics Team will contact your facility point of contact per the survey within 24 hours with potential treatment options and potential partners.
  - a. **Note: Facilities without a prescribing physician** will require further contact from VDH in order to assist in how patients may receive treatment