

**Alabama Department of Public Health
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COVID-19 Therapeutic Update**

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced that the federal Public Health Emergency (PHE) declared under the Public Health Service Act for COVID-19 will end on May 11, 2023. Government purchased COVID-19 therapeutics will remain available through existing channels until they become available on the commercial market. Guidance will be forthcoming as information is received from the federal partners.

Oral antivirals should be considered for patients with mild to moderate COVID-19 and who are at high risk for progression to severe disease. Clinical decision guides are available:

<https://aspr.hhs.gov/COVID-19/Therapeutics/Documents/COVID-Therapeutics-Decision-Aid.pdf>

<https://aspr.hhs.gov/COVID-19/Therapeutics/Pages/default.aspx>

Prescribing guidance can be found on the ADPH website:

<https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19/therapeutics.html>