The MMS will continue to monitor developments related to the coronavirus (COVID-19) and the response by state and federal agencies. For current information, including updates from NEJM, visit the dedicated page on the MMS website: massmed.org/covid-19.

Public Health

Mass. DPH expands availability of COVID-19 oral antivirals at certain Walgreens

Beginning on February 9, 2022, providers can electronically submit a prescription for oral antivirals (OAV) medications (Paxlovid or molnupiravir) at select Walgreens pharmacy locations that have an on-hand supply of treatment courses.

These stores are in Mattapan, Cambridge, Chelsea, Brockton, Chicopee, Danvers, Fall River, Falmouth, Fitchburg, Framingham, Franklin, Gardner, Greenfield, Haverhill, Lawrence, Lowell, Marshfield, New Bedford, North Adams, Northampton, Plymouth, Saugus, Springfield stores 3625 and 10127, Taunton, Waltham, Ware, Wareham, Webster, Weymouth, and Worcester stores 3151 and 10401.

Patients can pick up their prescription for an OAV medication at Walgreens free of charge even if they don’t already have insurance on file. They also have a delivery option.
If the Walgreens you send the prescription to has no available supply, the store will notify you and direct you to another Walgreens location with available supply. DPH intends to include additional retail pharmacies allocations as supply increases. The Massachusetts COVID-19 Therapeutics locator lists Walgreens stores that have OAV medications on-hand.

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**Practice Management**

**COVID-19 in 2022: Vaccines and Therapeutics Thursday, February 10, 2022 from 6:00 - 7:00 PM**

This up-to-date webinar is being presented by the Greater New England Society for Post-Acute and Long-Term Care and the Massachusetts Medical Society. Speakers:

- **Carole E. Allen, MD, MBA, FAAP**, President, Massachusetts Medical Society
- **Dylan B. Tierney, MD, MPH**, Associate Medical Director, Bureau of Infectious Disease and Laboratory Sciences, MA Department of Public Health
- **Asif A. Merchant, MD, FACP, CMD, CPE**, Partner, New England Community Medical Services

Pre-registration is required. Visit: [https://gnes-paltc.org/](https://gnes-paltc.org/) and select the UPCOMING EVENTS tab to access online registration. Look for further emails from GNES-PALTC confirming your successful pre-registration and providing ZOOM webinar log-in details.

For further assistance, email [Gayle Sommers](mailto:), administrator for GNES-PALTC, or call (781) 434-7731.

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**COCA call: Multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children - Thursday, February 10**

Multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C) is a rare but severe condition associated with SARS-CoV-2 infection. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has been actively involved in MIS-C surveillance and research, and development
of MIS-C resources to support the public health and health care community. During this Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity (COCA) call, presenters will discuss CDC’s surveillance of MIS-C, updated MIS-C resources for health care providers, research that informed those resources, and data related to COVID-19 vaccination and MIS-C.

**Date:** Thursday, Feb. 10, 2022  
**Time:** 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM ET

**Webinar Link:** [https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1606170121](https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1606170121)

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