Tips for Managing COVID-19

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(Coronavirus) at Home for Adults

If you have COVID-19 symptoms **CONSULT WITH A DOCTOR & GET TESTED**

*Symptoms: fever, sore throat, cough, breathing difficulty, headache, body aches, loss of smell or taste



Check oxygen level (with pulse oximeter) 3-4 times/day

Stay (Isolate) at

home and rest



Wear a mask and have your family wear a mask to protect everyone



Open windows for ventilation



Stay hydrated



Fever medicines (Paracetamol, Acetaminophen)

If oxygen level is 92% or more



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Lie on your stomach as tolerated, to improve lung oxygenation



Inhaled budesonide (steroid) - two puffs, twice daily (1600 mcg/day in total), until symptoms improve+

Remdesivir May shorten duration of symptoms but does not decrease the risk of death from COVID-19. Should only be given with physician supervision, early in patients with low blood oxygen level. Should **only** be given with physician supervision in severely ill patients (rapidly increasing oxygen requirements) **Tocilizumab** admitted to the hospital on steroids. Treatments that are NOT Ivermectin, Hydroxychloroquine, Convalescent Plasma, Vitamin C & D, Zinc, Baricitinib, Itolizumab, Bevacizumab, Lopinavir-Ritonavir, Favipiravir, Fluvoxamine, Interferon alpha-2b, Azithromycin, Doxycycline or routinely advised* other antibiotics

If oxygen level is less than 92%

CONSULT WITH A DOCTOR & SEEK HOSPITAL CARE

The following are proven treatments recommended under medical supervision



Use oxygen





Dexamethasone* (steroid) 6mg orally or IV, once daily, for 5-10 days

*If Dexamethasone unavailable, one of these:

Hydrocortisone 50 mg orally or IV, three times daily, for 5-10 days Methylprednisolone 32 mg orally or IV, once daily, for 5-10 days Prednisolone 40 mg orally, once daily, for 5-10 days Prednisone 40 mg orally, once daily, for 5-10 days

Steroid can be stopped at 5 days if oxygen is no longer needed

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⁺ https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanres/article/PIIS2213-2600(21)00160-0/fulltext

^{*} https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/WHO-2019-nCoV-therapeutics-2021.1 and https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/WHO-2019-nCoV-clinical-2021-1