# Free Telehealth for COVID-19 Treatment with Paxlovid Provided by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Telehealth is a quick and easy way to see if Paxlovid, a COVID-19 treatment pill taken by mouth, is right for you. If it is, we'll arrange for pickup at your local pharmacy or free overnight delivery (if the prescription is written before 5 p.m. Monday - Friday).

## When should I take Paxlovid?

- 1. You must test positive for COVID-19 and have symptoms.
- 2. Treatment must begin as soon as possible after testing positive and within 5 days of symptom onset.
- 3. You also have <u>certain medical conditions</u> that put you at higher risk for severe disease (including being a current or former smoker, cancer, diabetes, obesity, or others) or are over age 65.
- 4. If you're eligible for <u>Paxlovid</u>, you'll be connected with a clinician for a video consultation within 30 minutes. The service is available in English, Spanish, Haitian Creole and Portuguese.
- 5. Clinicians are available every day from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. EST.

**Who is Not Eligible for Paxlovid:** People with No symptoms, No risk factors, or Have had COVID-19 symptoms for more than 5 days

#### Telehealth overview: Who can use this telehealth service?

Telehealth is available for **individuals 18 or older** who are positive for COVID-19, experiencing symptoms, and currently living in Massachusetts. This service is not for medical emergencies or for individuals who are pregnant. If you are experiencing a medical emergency like having trouble breathing, please call 9-1-1.

## What do I need for the telehealth visit?

- 1. A photo or PDF of your positive test result
- 2. A list of medications and vitamins you're taking
- 3. If you have kidney disease, a copy of your lab results from the last 3 months. The dose of Paxlovid may need to be adjusted.
- 4. During the video consult, your clinician will also check your ID. This will be for confidential health purposes only and will not be shared. There are a range of acceptable forms of ID including: Mass ID, driver's license, work badge or permit, student ID, or community ID

**Is this service free?** Yes, the telehealth service and optional overnight delivery is free, no matter your insurance status.

# Information:

https://www.mass.gov/info-details/free-telehealth-for-covid-19-treatment-with-paxlovid