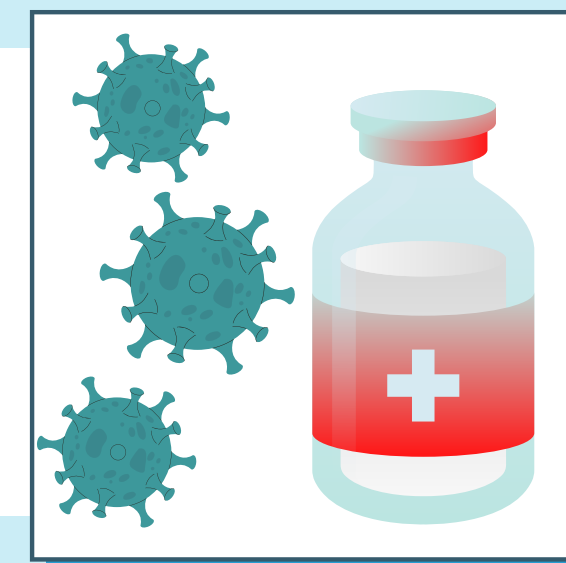


# Remdesivir (Veklury®) for Non-Severe COVID-19

## What is remdesivir?

- An antiviral medication that helps to treat COVID-19 by slowing the growth of the virus. This may help your body beat the infection sooner or stop symptoms from becoming serious.



## How might remdesivir be helpful for COVID-19?

- In people with mild or moderate symptoms of COVID-19, taking remdesivir may reduce the risk of getting very sick, needed to go to the hospital, or dying.

## Who may benefit from remdesivir?

- Adults and children aged 12 and older (weighing at least 40 kg) who are at high risk for getting very sick may benefit from treatment. Remdesivir is most useful early in the infection, usually within 7 days of feeling ill.
- Remdesivir may not be good to use in people with liver or kidney disease, or if you are pregnant.



## How is remdesivir given?

- As an IV infusion (through a vein) once a day for three days in a row. Each infusion usually lasts for 30 to 60 minutes.
- On the first day a dose of 200 mg is given, then a dose of 100 mg is given on days 2 and 3.

## What are the possible side effects?

- Nausea (less than 1 in 10 people may experience this)
  - Headache (less than 1 in 10 people may experience this)
  - Rash (less than 1 in 10 people may experience this)
  - Increased liver enzymes (about 1 or 2 in 10 people may experience this)
  - Possible increase in bleeding (less than 1 in 10 people may experience this)
  - Reaction to infusion (less than 1 in 1000 people may experience this)
  - Slowed heart rate (rare, unknown frequency)
  - Anaphylaxis, hypersensitivity (rare, unknown frequency)
- If you have concerns about other side effects not listed here, please reach out to your family doctor or specialist.

## What should I do if my COVID-19 symptoms get worse?

- For minor changes in your symptoms, call 811 or your primary healthcare provider to discuss questions or concerns.
- **Call 911 immediately** if you experience any severe symptoms such as: **difficulty breathing, severe chest pain, loss of consciousness, or feelings of confusion.**