



## Monoclonal Antibodies – Response to COVID-19 Outbreak

In response to the COVID-19 outbreak in Arkansas, the Division of Medical Services (DMS) is now covering administration of monoclonal antibodies. [Monoclonal antibodies](#) are laboratory-made proteins that mimic your immune system's ability to fight off harmful viruses. These antibodies are specifically designed to protect against the spike protein of COVID-19 and are designed to stop the virus from entering the human cells.

The FDA issued an Emergency Use Authorization to allow the use of monoclonal antibodies for the treatment of mild to moderate symptoms of COVID-19 in adults and pediatric patients.

For more information including patient fact sheets, resources, FAQs and monoclonal distribution sites across the state, visit the [Arkansas Department of Health website](#).

DMS Coverage of COVID-19 Monoclonal Antibodies memorandum: [Memorandum \(DMS-48\)](#)

If you have additional questions or need assistance, please contact your [AFMC Provider Relations outreach specialist](#).

Sincerely,

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