NIH Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Treatment Guidelines

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Therapeutic Options Under Investigation

- No drug has been proven to be safe and effective for COVID-19 yet.
- Management of all patients with COVID-19 should include infection prevention/control measures and supportive care.
- There are insufficient clinical data to recommend for or against using antivirals (hydroxychloroquine/chloroquine or remdesivir) or immune-based therapy (convalescent plasma, hyperimmune immunoglobulin, IL-6 inhibitors, IL-1 inhibitors).

Concomitant Medications

- People with COVID-19 should continue chronic medications as prescribed by treating physicians, including ACE inhibitors, ARBs, inhaled or oral corticosteroids, statins, and NSAIDs; otherwise, these therapies should be used in the context of a clinical trial.
- There is insufficient evidence to recommend for or against systemic corticosteroids for intubated patients with ARDS.
- Systemic corticosteroids are not recommended for noncritically ill patients or patients without ARDS.