



Hackensack Meridian *Health*

Monoclonal Antibodies for COVID-19 Across the HMH Network

Monoclonal antibodies are manufactured to treat disease with targeted proteins. They've found growing use in cancer and autoimmune diseases – and now in COVID-19 infection.

Hackensack Meridian *Health* is using these treatments at multiple sites across the health network, in key cases where it matches the criteria.

The two main manufacturers of monoclonal antibodies are the pharmaceutical companies Regeneron, and Eli Lilly. Two HMH sites – Hackensack University Medical Center and Jersey Shore University Medical Center – are currently admitting patients in Regeneron's placebo controlled trial known as SPIKE.

Referrals for other monoclonal antibody treatments, done in an outpatient setting through the emergency department or an infusion center, are open at eight sites. Below is further information for clinicians to consider in treating their infected patients with these treatments.

Hackensack University Medical Center: The hospital has a dedicated Monoclonal antibody treatment team located on site. Hackensack is accepting referrals from any provider with privileges throughout the HMH Network. Hackensack follows the EUA guidelines and criteria for screening and treatment of these patients. Treatment occurs Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Providers can contact and send referrals to the Hackensack University Medical Center Infusion Program by:

- Phone: 551-996-4428
- Fax: 551-996-0496
- Email: HUMCmaB@HMHN.org

Pascack Valley Medical Center: All patients with COVID-19 who are seen at the emergency room are evaluated for monoclonal antibody use as per the EUA guidelines. Patients who meet those criteria will be infused in the emergency room and then discharged home with appropriate instructions. Hospital leadership asks that referring doctors try to call ahead where possible: 201-383- 1035.

Palisades Medical Center: At Palisades, clinicians evaluate all of these patients in the emergency room. The chief medical officer or infectious disease chief are called – and they approve use of the monoclonal antibody infusion based on EUA guidelines. The chief medical officer calls the pharmacy to send the drug to the emergency room. The patient is always treated at the same initial emergency room visit. This availability at Palisades is open to all patients, to all community and hospital providers, and on a 24/7 basis.

Mountainside Medical Center: Mountainside Medical Center is administering monoclonal antibodies to our outpatient population who meet the criteria. If you identify patient meeting criteria, please contact the Mountainside Emergency Department at 973-429-6200 to consult with an ED physician, and let us know your patient is on the way. The patient can then be sent directly to the Mountainside Emergency Department.

If you have any questions regarding MAB treatment or the process for referring a patient, please contact:

- Main ED - ask to speak with the an ED Physician: 973-429-6200
- Arthur Calise, M.D.: 908-798-7189
- Michelle Rombough, RN: 973-768-0129

Treatment is available to patients 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

JFK University Medical Center: With a dedicated infusion center, JFK is accepting referrals from any provider with privileges throughout HMH, by obtaining primary verification for those outside of JFK. JFK is following the EUA criteria and treating those patients Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Providers can contact Outpatient Infusion 7 days a week at 732-744-5589, or fax our form and prescription to 732-321-7587. Lori Sammartino, MSN, NP-C, OCN Nurse Manager, Oncology, is the point of contact for any questions or concerns: lori.sammartino@hmn.org.

Jersey Shore University Medical Center: Providers can refer patients to the Jersey Shore monoclonal infusion program at any time by securely emailing the screening form to: Michael.Casias@HMHN.org AND JamesA.McCracken@HMHN.org AND Kristin.Disandro@HMHN.org AND Alexis.Andrews@HMHN.org. Providers who do not have the form or if secure email is not available can call 908-783- 8213 seven days a week 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eligible patients will be scheduled for screening and infusion in the emergency room within 24 hours of referral.

Ocean Medical Center: All patients with COVID-19 who are seen at the emergency room are evaluated for monoclonal antibody use as per the EUA guidelines. Patients who meet those criteria will be infused in the emergency room and then discharged home with appropriate instructions. Additionally, referring doctors can provide a note to the patient to streamline the process.

Southern Ocean Medical Center: All patients with COVID-19 who are seen at the emergency room are evaluated for monoclonal antibody use as per the EUA guidelines. Patients who meet those criteria will be infused in the emergency room and then discharged home with appropriate instructions. Additionally, referring doctors can provide a note to the patient to streamline the process.

Riverview Medical Center: Riverview is accepting referrals from any provider with privileges throughout the HMH Network and community physicians. Riverview follows the EUA guidelines and criteria for screening and treatment of these patients. Treatment is provided Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday by appointment. Providers can contact the monoclonal coordinator Anthony Lopez at anthony.lopez@hmn.org or by calling 732-530-2671. Providers should also email or fax proof of positive PCR COVID test results to 732-450-2744.