

Lagevrio for COVID-19

You have been given a medicine for COVID-19. It is called Lagevrio. This medicine can stop you from getting very sick or needing to go to hospital. This factsheet explains the medicine and how to use it.

What do I need to know?

Brand name	Lagevrio (<i>lah-JEV-ree-oh</i>)
Active ingredients	Molnupiravir (<i>mol-noo-PIRRA-veer</i>)
What kind is it?	Capsules that you swallow.
When do I take it?	Take in the morning and at night.
How long do I take it?	Take it for 5 days in a row. Keep taking it until you finish all the capsules you are given, even if you feel better before 5 days.
How do I take it?	 Take the medicine exactly as your doctor tells you. ✓ Swallow whole. Drink water to help swallow each tablet. ✓ Don't chew, break or crush the capsule. ✓ You can take it before or after a meal.
Remember	 Do not share it with other people. Keep the capsules in their container or dosing box from the pharmacist. Keep them in a safe place, away from children.

My medicine calendar

	Day 1 Date:	Day 2 Date:	Day 3 Date:	Day 4 Date:	Day 5 Date:
4 capsules same time every morning					
4 capsules same time every night					

Tick the box when you have taken the medicine to help you keep track.

If I feel unwe	II I should contact
Name:	
Number:	
Address:	
Email:	

How can it help?

In research, people given this medicine were more likely to feel better than those who did not take it. The medicine stopped some people who had COVID-19 from getting very sick and needing to go to hospital.

The medicine works best if you start taking it as soon as possible after finding out you have COVID-19. Ideally within five days of first noticing signs of sickness.

Is it safe to take?

We are still learning about this medicine, but it seems to be safe and likely to help when you have COVID-19.

We don't know yet if this medicine is safe during pregnancy. Make sure you tell your doctor if you're pregnant, breastfeeding or could be pregnant.

If you can become pregnant, use contraception while taking the medicine and for 4 days after taking the last capsule.

If your partner can become pregnant from having sex with you, you will need to use contraception while taking the medicine and for 3 months after taking the last capsule.

Are there unwanted effects (side effects)?

If you take Lageverio you might notice:



Some people may have these symptoms because of the medicine or from COVID-19.

Tell your doctor, health worker or pharmacist if you feel unwell, or if your symptoms get worse after taking the medicine.

Where can I find out more?

▶ Call the NPS Medicines Line on 1300 633 424

 Talk to your doctor, nurse, pharmacist or Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Worker or Practitioner

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