SUMMARY

NCTTRAC has partnered with DSHS, BCFS, and Cook Children's Medical Center to create a state-funded Regional Infusion Center in Fort Worth. This site will accept patient referrals from healthcare providers across TSAs C, D, and E to help administer COVID therapeutics quickly and safely with the goal of preventing patients from needing hospitalization.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Patients must meet at least ONE of the following criteria:

- Older age (for example, age \geq 65)
- Obesity or being overweight (for example, BMI > 25 kg/m2)
- Pregnancy
- Chronic kidney disease, diabetes, or immunosuppressive disease
- Currently receiving immunosuppressive treatment
- Cardiovascular disease or hypertension
- Chronic lung diseases
- Sickle cell disease
- Neurodevelopmental disorders
- Having a medical related technological dependence
- High risk Ethnicity Groups (Latino or Black)

Additionally, patients must meet ALL the following criteria:

- 18 years of age or older
- Patient is symptomatic (not asymptomatic) and has mild to moderate illness as noted by all of the following criteria:
 - o Is not hospitalized due to COVID-19
 - o Does not require oxygen therapy due to COVID-19
 - o $SpO_2\%$ greater than 93% on Room Air
- COVID symptoms present less than 10
 days
- If on oxygen chronically, is on same rate
- Stable for home management/care
- Document positive COVID test performed
- Patient is:
 - o Day 10 or less since symptom onset or testing positive.
 - o If pregnant, cleared with OB/GYN Physician.

CONTACTS

Referral Questions? 1-800-742-5990

North Central Texas COVID-19 Regional Infusion Center Info Sheet

Key Points

- The Regional Infusion Center is located in Fort Worth, TX.
- Patients must be referred by a physician. Patients cannot refer themselves.
- There is no "walk-in" availability; all treatments must be scheduled in advance
- The Regional Infusion Center utilizes the monoclonal antibody treatment Regeneron COV(Casirivimab plus Imdevimab)
- This is a state-funded operation there is no cost to the patient or referring provider.
- Operating Hours: 8:00 AM 6:00 PM, Sunday Saturday

I am a Physician – How Do I Refer a Patient for Infusion?

- Fill out the Statewide RIC Infusion Referral Form
 - If you do not have this form, call the Infusion Hotline at 1-800-742-5990 to get it or check <u>www.ncttrac.org</u> under the COVID-19 page
- Submit the completed form to BCFS
 - o By Fax: 210-208-5295
 - o By Email: InfusionReferral@bcfs.net
- An Infusion Center Representative will reach out to the patient to schedule an appointment

I am a Patient – How Do I get access to the Regional Infusion Center?

- Visit a physician to see if you are eligible for Regeneron infusion
 - You can be referred for infusion by a primary care physician, freestanding emergency department, or hospital.
- If your physician determines that you are eligible, they need to fill out and submit the Statewide RIC Infusion Center Referral Form.
- Once your physician has submitted your referral form, you will receive a call from the Regional Infusion Center to schedule an appointment.

Q: What documentation do I need to get the infusion?

A: You will need to provide a government-issued photo ID.

Q: Who can refer a patient to these infusion centers?

A: Physicians operating in <u>Trauma Service Areas C, D, or E</u>. There are no residency restrictions. Referrals can come from hospitals, Freestanding EDs, and physician offices.

Q: What happens after a physician submits a patient referral?

A: An Infusion Center Representative will contact the patient to schedule the infusion appointment.

Q: What is the daily capacity of the regional infusion center?

A: The Fort Worth Infusion Center can support 90 infusions daily with a plan to increase, when this capacity is met.