

SUMMARY

The North Central Texas COVID-19 Regional Infusion Center is 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 FOR MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY INFUSION

Patients must meet the following criteria:

- Symptoms present less than 10 days.
- SpO₂ greater than 93% on Room Air.
- If on Oxygen chronically, is on same rate.
- Stable for home management/care.
- Documented positive COVID test performed.

Additionally, patients must meet at least one of the following medical conditions or other factors that may place adults or pediatric patients (age 12-17 years and weighing at least 40 kg) at higher risk for progression to severe COVID-19:

- Older age (for example, age \geq 65 years of age)
- Obesity or being overweight (for example, BMI $>$ 25 kg/m²) or if 12 to 17 years of age, have BMI \geq 85 percentile for their age and gender based on CDC growth charts,
- Pregnancy
- Chronic kidney disease
- Diabetes
- Immunosuppressive disease or immunosuppressive treatment
- Cardiovascular disease or hypertension
- Chronic lung diseases
- Sickle cell disease
- Neurodevelopmental disorders
- Having a medical related technological dependence
- Other medical condition(s) or factor(s) placing patient at risk for progression to severe illness

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State of Texas Infusion Hotline
1-800-742-5990

North Central Texas COVID-19 Regional Infusion Center Info Sheet

Key Points

- The Regional Infusion Center is located at 815 8th Ave, Fort Worth, TX.
- It is strongly recommended that patients visit their physician; the physician can submit an online referral application to schedule their appointment.
- No Walk ins accepted until further notice. All patients must have an appointment.
- The Regional Infusion Center utilizes the available monoclonal antibody: Bamlanivimab and Etesevimab, Regeneron, or Sotrovimab
- 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?

- Visit the online portal at www.stateoftexasinfusionhotline.com
 - Click on “Submit New Order” to complete the online application.
 - Make sure to indicate any accommodations the patient may need.
- The Infusion Management System will auto-generate an appointment time and send it directly to the client’s address that is indicated in the online application for a RIC appointment closest to the home address listed for the client.

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 complete an online application and submit it via the Statewide RIC Infusion Online Portal. Once your online referral application is submitted, an auto-generated appointment time will be sent directly to your email address. If you do not confirm your appointment in a timely matter, an Infusion Center Representative will contact you.

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 [Trauma Service Areas C, D, or E](#). 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: Once the physician submits the online referral application to the Statewide RIC Infusion Center, an auto-generated appointment time will be sent directly to the patient’s email address.

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.