

## Remdesivir Research Q & A

Q: Why is HHS doing this research?

A: Patients can benefit from research because it can give them early access to new medications and treatments that are not yet available to the general public. The trials on remdesivir are a prime example of this kind of opportunity. While remdesivir is experimental, and its effectiveness against COVID-19 is unknown, it is one of the few treatment options being explored at this time. This new series of trials are the first to test remdesivir for a treatment against patients with COVID-19 illness.

Our entire community can benefit if we discover ways to treat and respond to this unprecedented virus. We have an urgent need to protect and treat our community and this research is one way we can help get to possible solutions.

Q: Will patients be able to decide if they do or do not want to be in the study?

A: Yes. If they are able to consent, we will ask them directly. If they are too sick to consent themselves, we will ask their legally authorized representative to provide consent on their behalf.

Q: Where can I get more detailed information about this research?

A: This research is registered with the federal website, Clinicaltrials.gov and more information can be found at <https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT04292730>.