# Important Information for Treatment Related to COVID-19

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To ensure that Vermont Medicaid members continue to have access to the medications they need and in response to evolving conditions related to COVID-19, the Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA) is implementing the following changes to its prescription drug benefits programs:

Copayments do not apply to any treatments of underlying conditions that may complicate the treatment of COVID-19, effective October 22, 2021.

* This includes treatments for what is now being referred to as “long-COVID” or “long haul” COVID-19.
* Copayments for COVID-19-related treatments do not apply while a Vermont Medicaid beneficiary is diagnosed with or presumed to have COVID-19.

Instructions for Vermont Medicaid participating pharmacies and prescribers:

* Prescribers shall write a memo/note on the prescription indicating it is being prescribed for treatment of COVID-19 or a COVID-19-related diagnosis.

All approved treatments for COVID-19, and medications that may be used to treat the symptoms of COVID-19, do not have co-pays.

If you have questions about this process, please contact your Provider Relations Representative directly at 800-925-1706.