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Coronavirus Product Scam Alert

Consumers warned about fraudulent products that claim to treat or prevent COVID-19

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The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) are [warning consumers about fraudulent products that claim to treat or prevent COVID-19](https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/coronavirus-update-fda-and-ftc-warn-seven-companies-selling-fraudulent-products-claim-treat-or)

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There is currently no approved vaccine, drug, or product to treat or cure Coronavirus. Letters were issued to seven U.S. companies that may have violated federal law by making false claims about unapproved drugs which ads state will treat or prevent Coronavirus.

The Massachusetts Division of Insurance (DOI) recently issued a [bulletin outlining expectations from carriers in regard to the Coronavirus](/doc/bulletin-2020-02-addressing-covid-19-coronavirus-testing-and-treatment-issued-362020/download) that include waiving fees and co-payments for emergency room visits, urgent care and procedures related to the Coronavirus for covered members to ensure that everyone is seeking and getting needed treatment.

Visit the Department of Public Health for the [latest COVID-19 information for Massachusetts residents](/resource/information-on-the-outbreak-of-coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19)

(</resource/information-on-the-outbreak-of-coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19>). For the latest on case counts in the United States, visit the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-in-us.html) (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-in-us.html>).



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