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Fetter Health Care Network selected to participate in COVID-19 therapeutics program

Charleston, SC – Fetter Health Care Network (Fetter) has been selected by the federal government to participate in the COVID-19 Therapeutics Program, providing the opportunity to administer oral antiviral medication for patients experiencing mild to moderate COVID-19 illness, following the issuance of Emergency Use Authorization from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). In partnership with the Health Resources and Services Administration and the Department of Health and Human Services, Fetter will launch this effort on Wednesday, Jan. 19 at several of its sites throughout the Lowcountry.

“Our top priority at this time is to ensure underserved communities affected by COVID-19 have easy access to FDA-authorized or approved COVID-19 oral antiviral pills,” said Aretha Powers, DHA, CEO of Fetter. “Throughout the pandemic, our team has intentionally focused on caring for individuals and communities who have been disproportionately affected by the pandemic, including those experiencing homelessness, migratory agricultural workers, public housing residents, minority communities, rural residents, elderly and those with limited English proficiency. As we step into this next phase of serving our communities, this mission will remain.”

Fetter will adhere to the FDA’s eligibility recommendations when assessing whether patients medically qualify to receive COVID-19 antiviral medication. Fetter will conduct a rapid antigen test on symptomatic patients and a medical provider will determine proper treatment based on various criteria including age, vaccination status, and past medical history. Fetter will also uphold its standards to ensure no patient is denied service due to an individual’s inability to pay and will continue its commitment to providing care for patients who are uninsured, underinsured, insured and those who have Medicaid and Medicare.

In an effort to increase access to treatment, Fetter will offer free COVID-19 testing and antivirals to individuals who qualify at locations throughout Charleston, Berkeley, Dorchester and Colleton Counties based on the following schedule:

Site	Address	Days	Time
Charleston Family Health Center	51 Nassau Street Charleston, SC 29403	Monday - Friday	8 – 11 a.m.
Enterprise Pediatrics Health Center	2047 Comstock Ave. Charleston, SC 29405	Monday - Thursday	8 – 11 a.m.
Thaddeus J Bell Family Health Center	130 Varnfield Dr., Summerville, SC 29483	Monday, Wednesday, Fridays	8 – 11 a.m.
Elijah Wright Family Health Center	1681 Old Hwy 6 Cross, SC 29436	Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday	8 – 11 a.m.
Walterboro Family Health Center	302 Medical Park Drive #111 Walterboro, SC 29488	Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	8 – 11 a.m.
Johns Island Family Health Center	3627 Maybank Hwy Johns Islands SC 29455	Tuesday & Wednesday	8 – 11 a.m.

Hollywood Family Health Center	5225 Highway165 Hollywood, SC 29449	Thursday & Friday	8 – 11 a.m.
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For more information on the COVID-19 Therapeutics program, visit the website of the [U.S. Department of Health & Human Services](#). To learn more about Fetter, its range of services, COVID-19 vaccination clinics and more, visit [FetterHealthCare.org](#).

About Fetter Health Care Network

[Fetter Health Care Network](#) is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) chartered as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit in the State of South Carolina in 1975. Fetter provides comprehensive services for insured, uninsured and underserved residents in Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton and Dorchester Counties. Today, Fetter Health Care Network has 27 different sites which includes mobile units, medical laboratories and pharmacies.

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