

Good News

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Experimental coronavirus vaccine to be tested in Rochester

URMC is collaborating to test a new potential coronavirus vaccine developed by Pfizer and BioNTech. It is the only active COVID-19 vaccine clinical trial in upstate New York, and one of only four sites in the US conducting early stage studies of the vaccine. Edward Walsh, MD, a professor in the department of medicine, spoke with **CBS Evening News** about the vaccine.

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Remdesivir results 'promising' in Medical Center clinical trial

The University of Rochester Medical Center has been participating in a clinical trial testing the safety and efficacy of the antiviral drug remdesivir. According to preliminary results released by the National Institutes of Health, the drug is now showing promise in treating adults diagnosed with COVID-19.

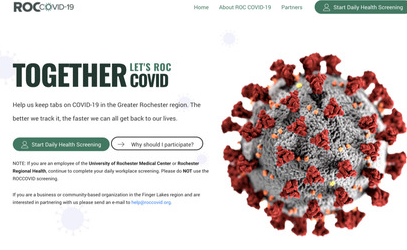
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Coronavirus research focuses on RNA as key to new treatments

"Understanding RNA structure and function helps us understand how to throw a therapeutic wrench into what the COVID-19 RNA does—make new virus that can infect more of our cells and also the cells of other human beings," said Lynne Maquat, professor of biochemistry and biophysics.

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Monroe Co. leaders announce new ROC COVID symptom tracker

A tracking tool originally developed by the **UR Health Lab** to triage patients, manage hospital volume, and monitor healthcare workers will now aid in reopening the region. The data will help the county identify the areas most impacted by the virus and understand where to direct testing and assistance.

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Join us for the first ever VIRTUAL Stroll for Strong Kids & 5K!

Friday, May 29—Sunday, May 31

This year's event is dedicated to the healthcare providers and critical staff who are working tirelessly during this time.

Choose the day, time, and location that works best for you and your team—while practicing safe social distancing!

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