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## WLIV AM 920 & WLIV FM 104.7

<u>Topic: Medications Available for Coronavirus</u>

Guest: Dr. Andrew Todd, Infectious Diseases Specialist

The shortage of redily-available vaccines and medications for treating and preventing Covid 19, commonly known as Coronavirus is a major concern to the public and to health care workers alike.

WLIV reached out to Dr. Andrew Todd, an infectious diseases specialist at Byrdstown Medical Center, to tell our listeners the status of medications available to handle what is feared to be the on-coming epidemic of coronavirus cases.

Dr. Todd was featured on WLIV AM & FM FOCUS ON COMMUNITY.

He told listeners that unfortunately at the current time, a vaccine for the virus is probably more than a year down the road. He went on to say that there are old, known drugs available to treat those who come down with the virus. One of the drugs being used is an old malaria treating medication. The other is commonly used for arthritis.

Dr. Todd explained that, because coronavirus is a totally new virus that has only recently jumped from animals to humans, our bodies are unfamiliar with the virus and have no way to fight it.

Dr. Todd stressed the social customs that all should observe to prevent getting and/or spreading coronavirus.

WLIV AM and WLIV FM thank Doctor Andrew Todd for participating in this very enlightening FOCUS ON COMMUNITY public affairs programming.

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