Sore Throat

EMERGENCY: CALL **911** IF

· You have trouble breathing.



When to seek professional help

- · Your throat has been sore for more than 3 days and you are not getting better.
- · You have a fever and your temperature is not going down, even after taking medication.
- · You have a great deal of difficulty speaking or swallowing.
- · There are changes in the colour or texture of your skin (feels like sandpaper).

How to get **help**

- · 24/7, dial 811
- · Call your pharmacist
- Make an appointment for a screening test on <u>clicsante.ca</u> or dial 1-877-644-4545
- · Call your clinic to make an appointment
- If you do not have a doctor, dial 811 option 3
- Find an appointment on <u>rvsq.gouv.qc.ca</u>

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A sore throat can be very painful, cause a burning feeling and prevent you from swallowing properly for a few days.

What to do at home



Mouth rinse: Boil water and pour into a glass. Add a teaspoon of salt to the water and stir well. Once the water has cooled off, rinse your mouth with the warm salt water and gargle several times day.



Hydration: Drink hot or cold beverages, depending on what feels best.



Ice: Suck on ice cubes or eat frozen treats.



Food: Eat easy to swallow foods: soups, purées, eggs, cottage cheese or yogurt.

