

Qualifying for the USPTO's COVID-19 Prioritized Examination Pilot Program

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When the USPTO launched its COVID-19 Prioritized Examination Pilot Program on May 14, 2020, a key focus was to shorten the timeline to patent protection of COVID-19 related innovations for small businesses and independent inventors, who already face the difficult task of getting important products to market with limited resources. By implementing this pilot program, the USPTO is striving to minimize its impact on a product's barrier to entry and allow important and potentially life-saving products to get to market faster.

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