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## Magic Johnson taking AZT to delay onset of AIDS

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Magic Johnson has begun taking the drug AZT but a medical examination here Tuesday revealed no signs or symptoms of the AIDS disease.

Johnson, who stunned the world of basketball when he announced his retirement two weeks ago, has tested positive for the HIV virus, which causes Acute Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

But a medical evaluation at the University of California at Los Angeles confirmed that Johnson has not yet developed the disease, for which there is no known cure.

Doctors Monday placed Johnson on AZT, which delays the onset of AIDS symptoms and helps prolong life.

Meanwhile, the Los Angeles Lakers announced Tuesday that they had placed Johnson on the team's injured reserve list and had signed guard Demetrius Calip to replace the former star on the roster.

The move will allow Johnson to continue sitting on the team bench as he did Sunday night when the team won its third straight game after struggling to a 1-3 start.

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