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GREETINGS!

The impact of COVID-19 and other outbreaks are evident in the stories coming in from the field of severe TB keep, including four children with TB meningitis in a single month in a single hospital! Two things you can do today to help move us to #EndTB: first, call your members of congress (202-...) and leave a message requesting them to co-sponsor the Comprehensive TB Elimination Act (domestic efforts) and the End TB Now Act (global efforts). Second, help us recruit a new Secretary and Chair-Elect! The nomination form (with "job descriptions") is here.

DC UPDATE

Ask your Representative to sign the E-Dear Colleague letter by Rep. Berra in support of the End Tuberculosis Now Act of 2022 (S. 3386/H.R. 8654)

This bipartisan <u>legislation</u> encourages domestic agencies to align TB control efforts in the United States with global efforts and actions. The End TB Now Act will prioritize U.S. tuberculosis response to target the diagnosis and treatment of adults and children with TB and to prevent new TB infections in countries with high burdens of TB. TB anywhere is TB everywhere - domestic and international efforts must work collaboratively to **#EndTB**. <u>View the full legislation here</u>, a fact sheet from RESULTS here, and a one-page factsheet here. <u>Learn how on our website!</u>

<u>Contact your Senators and Representatives to co-sponsor the Comprehensive TB Elimination Act of 2021!</u>

The Comprehensive TB Elimination Act of 2021 has now been reintroduced in **both the Senate and in the House** of Representatives. This reauthorizing bill is meant to fund domestic TB programs and focus TB elimination and research resources on priority populations in the US. Please read more about the legislature <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>; join the effort to gain cosponsors for the bill by contacting your senators and representatives. A sample script and instructions can be found on our <u>website</u>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Division of TB Elimination 2022-2026 Strategic Plan

CDC has published the <u>2022-2026 Strategic Plan for the Division of Tuberculosis Elimination (DTBE)</u>. To achieve DTBE's vision of TB elimination in the United States, this plan builds on the division's previous work and was updated to reflect the continued commitment to health equity. The <u>2022-2026 Strategic Plan for DTBE</u> is a living document that will help guide DTBE's work through 2026 and will be operationalized with help from DTBE's partners.

Call for proposals for strategic civil society and affected communities coordination and advocacy

The Union: World Conference on Lung Health 2022 Preliminary Programme

HIGHLIGHTED TB REPORTS/UPDATES

- The Stop TB Partnership call on governments of donor and high burden TB countries to pledge at least US\$18 billion to Global Fund and triple domestic investments in TB
- Addressing Tuberculosis and Latent Tuberculosis Infection Screening, Testing, and Treatment Needs

 Among Community Health Centers Serving Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders —

 September 2022
- The Global Fund Results Report 2022
- TB action plan for the WHO European Region 2023–2030
- MSF warns that supply delays of critical TB test will cost lives
- <u>TB Alliance Statement on New World Health Organization Rapid Communication on Key Changes to the</u> Treatment of Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis
- <u>CDC TB Notes 3, 2022: Notes from the Director</u>
- U.S. supports Quezon city in fight against tuberculosis and COVID-19

Read more reports and updates on our website page 'From TB Wire'!

TB IN THE NEWS

- Responding to the post-pandemic crisis: post-exposure prophylaxis for TB
- Reflecting on the relationship between residential schools and TB in Canada
- Impact of COVID-19 on diagnosis and testing for TB in a high-resource, low-burden setting
- The profit driven system can only lead to inequality, poverty, hunger and TB
- <u>Tuberculosis Affects More Men Globally But Women Feel More of a Social Impact</u>
- Why Did We Need COVID Vaccines if the TB Vaccine Offers Protection?
- War-Torn Ukraine Is Also an HIV and Tuberculosis Hot Spot
- Transit riders warned of possible tuberculosis exposure
- San Diego: MTS rider diagnosed with TB

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TB RESOURCES

- <u>Una Guia Para Activistas Sobre Herramientas De Diagnostico De La Tuberculosis [An Activist's Guide to Tuberculosis Diagnostic Tools]</u>
- Preventing Tuberculosis in Your Clinical Setting: A Practical Guidebook
- <u>TBpeopleUkraine 2022: we are stronger than war and tuberculosis</u>
- Management of Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis in Pregnant and Peripartum People: a field guide
- Progress and Multisectoral Action towards achieving global targets to end TB
- Diagnosing Latent TB Infection (LTBI) video

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JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Costs of Tuberculosis at 3 Treatment Centers, Canada, 2010–2016
- The COVID-19 and TB syndemic: the way forward
- The impact of COVID-19 on TB: a review of the data
- Improving TB case notification and treatment coverage through data use
- Post-tuberculosis lung health: perspectives from the First International Symposium
- Improving Estimates of Social Contact Patterns for Airborne Transmission of Respiratory Pathogens
- Living with tuberculosis: a qualitative study of patients' experiences with disease and treatment

- <u>Multidrug-Resistant Musculoskeletal Tuberculosis: An Aggressive Clinical, Radiological and Molecular Confirmation With Genotypic Drug Susceptibility Testing Approach</u>

Discover many more peer-reviewed articles on our website page 'Peer-Reviewed Publications'!

COURSES/WORKSHOPS

EVENTS, MEETINGS, & CONFERENCES

Conference Recordings Have Been Re-purposed and are Now Offered as a Virtual 2022 NTC

October 6th, 2022 - The Inaugural Inter-CFAR Mycobacteria Symposium



October 25th-27th, 2022 - Hep B United and TB Elimination Alliance Summit

Hep B United and the TB Elimination Alliance are hosting a virtual, joint mini-summit on **October 25-27 at 10:30 am-2pm PST/1:30pm-5pm EST.** Please register here.



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Stop TB USA: Where we unite to #EndTB!

Please consider supporting our efforts.

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