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GREETINGS!

We have lost count the number of times we have already uttered the phrase, “Happy New Year!” And we can all help make it much happier for millions if we **#EndTB!!** To get this year started right, [we need more nominees for our new Chair-Elect and Secretary](#), whose terms will begin with the Annual Meeting on **24 February 2023**. Please make plans to join us in person (in Vancouver, concurrent with the IUATLD-North American Region meeting) or online (zoom link TBD). Oh, and HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

DC UPDATE

Unfortunately, the big end-of-the-year Omnibus bill did not include the [End TB Now Act \(ETNA\)](#) despite strong bipartisan support that got it out of both the House and the Senate committees! That same bipartisan support will mean we have a stronger starting point when the ETNA and its domestically focused companion, the [Comprehensive TB Elimination Act](#), are re-introduced in 2023. In the meantime, Appropriations (AKA show me the money!) season will begin as soon as the new Congress is sworn in. Stay tuned for reasons to get in touch with your members of Congress—the ultimate arbiters of the people’s purse strings!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TB Elimination Alliance Announces New Mini-Grant Recipients

The [TB Elimination Alliance \(TEA\)](#) recently [announced](#) 14 mini-grant awards to community partners working to increase awareness and build capacity for latent TB infection testing and treatment. TEA is led by the [Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations \(AAPCHO\)](#), [Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum \(APIAHF\)](#), [Hepatitis B Foundation \(HBF\)](#), and [Stop TB USA](#), with the support of CDC. TEA, its members, partners, and mini-grantees look forward to building on the progress towards our shared goal of TB elimination.



HIGHLIGHTED TB REPORTS/UPDATES

- [An investment case for new tuberculosis vaccines](#)
- [Worldwide TB R&D funding surpasses US\\$1 billion, but falls short of goals](#)
- [Tuberculosis Research Funding Trends 2005 – 2021](#)
- [New MSF report warns that major opportunity to increase access to newer, safer DR-TB drugs is at risk](#)
- [WHO announces landmark changes in treatment of drug-resistant tuberculosis](#)
- [WHO consolidated guidelines on tuberculosis. Module 4: treatment - drug-resistant tuberculosis treatment, 2022 update](#)

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TB IN THE NEWS

- [Tuberculosis and COVID-19 lung lesions revealed by high-resolution three-dimensional imaging](#)
- [Could a 100-year-old TB vaccine help scientists find a better one?](#)
- [Experts call for better screening and treatment of TB during pregnancy](#)
- [Researchers discover gut mechanism that triggers innate immunity against respiratory infections](#)
- [Use of big data on the social determinants of TB to find the “missing millions”](#)
- [Tailored TB preventive treatment for drug-resistant TB – failing the test for appropriateness?](#)

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TB RESOURCES

Uniting for Ukraine – CDC update

CDC’s Division of TB Elimination is pleased to share that the [Uniting for Ukraine](#) online toolkit is now available in [Ukrainian](#) and [Russian](#). This toolkit includes:

- [Featured CDC Resources](#) including “Tuberculosis: General Information Fact Sheet” and “Questions and Answers about Tuberculosis” in Ukrainian and Russian
- [Information for Arrivals and Sponsors](#) including information on TB testing
- Information for Health Departments including the most recent [funding opportunity](#), and [Social media graphics](#).



The graphic features a blue background with the text 'UNITING FOR UKRAINE' in white. Below this, there is an illustration of a healthcare worker in a white coat and mask interacting with a person. A yellow banner with black text reads: 'People arriving in the United States as part of Uniting for Ukraine must be screened for TB disease.' At the bottom, there is a white text box with a blue border containing the text: 'Contact your local or state health department to find out how to get tested.' To the right of this text is the CDC logo.

CDC 2021 Surveillance Report

- [Tuberculosis in the United States, 2021 \(Slide Set\)](#)

- [Social Media Graphics](#)
- [Take on Tuberculosis \(TB\)](#)
- [Trends in Tuberculosis, 2021](#)

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[Rifamycin Drug-Drug Interactions: A Guide for Primary Care Providers Treating Latent Tuberculosis Infection](#)

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JOURNAL ARTICLES

- [Potential drug–drug interactions among hospitalised TB patients](#)
- [eHealth in TB clinical management](#)
- [Using the Food and Drug Administration’s Sentinel System for surveillance of TB infection](#)
- [Causes of pre-treatment loss to follow-up in patients with TB](#)
- [Facilitators and barriers to TB care during the COVID-19 pandemic](#)
- [Impact of Undernutrition on Tuberculosis Treatment Outcomes in India: A Multicenter, Prospective, Cohort Analysis](#)
- [More than Mycobacterium tuberculosis: site-of-disease microbial communities, and their functional and clinical profiles in tuberculous lymphadenitis](#)
- [A comprehensive update to the Mycobacterium tuberculosis H37Rv reference genome](#)

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COURSES/WORKSHOPS

- [Free online training with The Union](#)
- [Newcomer health: refugee, immigrant and migrant communities face multiple systems barriers that negatively affect health](#)
- [Introduction to Public Health Practice](#)
- [Union Courses](#)
- [The International Course on the Interpretation of Chest X-Rays for the Diagnosis of Pulmonary Tuberculosis](#)
- [International Course on the Programmatic and Clinical Management of Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis in Ukrainian](#)

EVENTS, MEETINGS, & CONFERENCES

- [February 22nd-25th, 2023 – 27th Annual Conference of the Union-North America Region](#)
 - o **[7:30am Pacific Time, February 24th, 2023 – Stop TB USA Annual Membership Meeting – stay tuned for zoom link \(come in person if you are attending NAR\)!](#)**
- [June 12th-15th, 2023 – National TB Conference](#)

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