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STOP TB PARTNERSHIP

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GREETINGS!

Do you have a desire to make things better through systemic changes? Do you have a friend with a passion for #TBElimination? Do you know someone who likes to get the word out about best practices and the latest research around TB? Do you have a colleague that excels at coalition building? Do you have suggestions to improve your favorite #EndTB organization? Then please [nominate](#) yourself, a friend, or a colleague for a [leadership position](#) at Stop TB USA!!!

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 [legislation](#) 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**. [View the full legislation here](#), a [fact sheet from RESULTS here](#), and a [one-page factsheet here](#). [Learn how on our website!](#)

[Contact your Senators and Representatives to co-sponsor the Comprehensive TB Elimination Act of 2021!](#)

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 [here](#) and [here](#); 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 [website](#).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Stop TB USA will be holding elections for Chair-Elect and Secretary positions. [Please submit your nominations via this link](#). Nominees need not be current Coordinating Board members or Stop TB USA members, and self-nominations are accepted! Nominations are due November 15th. Nominees will be published in December 2022 and the election (you can vote!) will be held at the annual Stop TB USA Membership Meeting in February 2023.
- [USAID announces up to \\$200 million for research to combat tuberculosis](#)
- [New Rifapentine Formulations at New Prices: No Excuses for Not Scaling-Up TB Preventive Treatment](#)
- [New patient-friendly tuberculosis preventive treatment to be rolled out in five high-burden TB countries at affordable price](#)
- [AMA aims to increase screenings for HIV, STIs, hepatitis, tuberculosis](#)
- [WHO releases updated guidance on national strategic planning for tuberculosis](#)

- [High Rates of Chronic Hepatitis B and Tuberculosis Co-Infection Observed in Nationally Representative Quest Diagnostics Study](#)

HIGHLIGHTED TB REPORTS/UPDATES

- [2022 Special Report: Covid-19 - U.S. Impact on Antimicrobial Resistance](#)
- [Mid-term Assessment Summary Report: Global Fund Breaking Down Barriers Initiative, July 2022](#)
- [PAN-TB Collaboration to Advance Investigational Tuberculosis Drug Regimens to Phase 2 Clinical Trials](#)
- [Community, rights and gender investment packages](#)

Read more reports and updates on our website page [‘From TB Wire’!](#)

TB IN THE NEWS

- [Urban Design in an Antibiotic-Resistant World: Lessons From Mumbai](#)
- [Oral six-month treatment for MDR-TB is safe and effective in people with HIV](#)
- [HIV test-and-treat reduces TB incidence in the community](#)
- [NYT: Why a Century-Old Vaccine Offers New Hope Against Pathogens](#)
- [‘I don’t know where I caught it’: War derails Ukraine’s TB fight](#)
- [Scaling up shorter TB preventive treatment is long overdue](#)
- [Bridging the gap: key evidence needed to strengthen global policies to end TB](#)
- [The COVID-19 and TB syndemic: the way forward](#)

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TB RESOURCES

[NTCA Provider Guidance: A 4-Month Regimen to Treat Pulmonary Tuberculosis: Isoniazid, Rifampin, Moxifloxacin, and Pyrazinamide \(HPMZ\).](#)

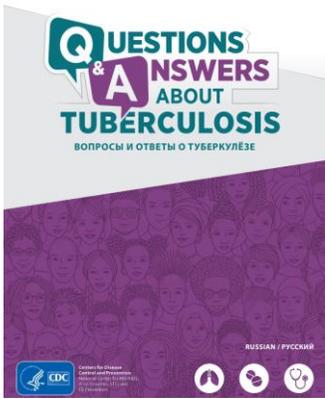
Designed by, and for, TB clinicians! These resources address many of the on-the-ground realities that front-line TB folks face.

The IJTLD Clinical Standards for Lung Health

- [Clinical standards for drug-susceptible pulmonary TB](#)
- [Clinical standards for the assessment, management and rehabilitation of post-TB lung disease](#)
- [Clinical standards for the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of TB infection](#)
- [Clinical standards for the dosing and management of TB drugs](#)

Uniting for Ukraine Resources Available in Russian

CDC's Uniting for Ukraine: Information for TB Programs [webpage](#) now contains links to [Russian-language patient resources](#) to assist TB Programs involved in the “[Uniting for Ukraine](#)” program. The webpage also features CDC publications, including the [Tuberculosis: General Information Fact Sheet](#) and [Questions and Answers About TB Booklet](#), in Russian and Ukrainian. The page also includes helpful links to guidance for people arriving from Ukraine and their beneficiaries on the required medical screening for TB and information from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.



Find more TB resources on our website page [‘TB Resources’](#)!

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- [Costs of Tuberculosis at 3 Treatment Centers, Canada, 2010–2016](#)
- [Tuberculosis Among Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Persons: United States and U.S.-Affiliated Pacific Islands, 2010–2019](#)
- [Safety and immunogenicity of VPM1002 versus BCG in South African newborn babies: a randomised, phase 2 non-inferiority double-blind controlled trial](#)
- [Multiple BCG vaccinations for prevention of COVID-19 and other infectious diseases in Type 1 diabetes](#)
- [Clinical Features and Treatment Outcome of Coronavirus and Tuberculosis Co-Infected Patients: A Systematic Review of Case Reports](#)
- [Heterogeneous impact of Covid-19 response on tuberculosis burden by age group](#)
- [New Publication on a Nationwide TB Outbreak Associated with a Bone Allograft Product](#)
CDC, with the assistance of state and local health departments, healthcare facilities, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, recently published “[Nationwide tuberculosis outbreak in the USA linked to a bone graft product: an outbreak report](#)” in *The Lancet Infectious Diseases*. CDC, federal partners, and organ and tissue donation organizations are working together to reduce the risk of TB transmission through tissue and organ transplantation in the future. Based on this investigation, the American Association of Tissue Banks issued [new recommendations](#) for preventing tissue-derived TB transmission.

Discover many more peer-reviewed articles on our website page [‘Peer-Reviewed Publications’](#) !

COURSES/WORKSHOPS

Available online: #EndTB Webinar: Supporting countries to transition to case-based, digital TB surveillance in [English](#), [Arabic](#), and [Russian](#).

EVENTS, MEETINGS, & CONFERENCES

- [November 8th-11th – World Conference on Lung Health 2022 – Combating Pandemics: Today & Tomorrow](#)
- Save the Date to attend a mini summit co-hosted by Hep B United and TB Elimination Alliance (TEA) from **October 25-27, 2022**. More details to follow!



Stop TB USA: Where we unite to #EndTB!

Please consider supporting our efforts.

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