



# TBWIRE

THE U.S. PARTNER IN THE GLOBAL  
STOP TB PARTNERSHIP

JANUARY 2022

## **GREETINGS!**

We cannot think of a better way to celebrate the New Year than to pause to celebrate the life of Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate and a powerful voice against pediatric TB, "200 children are dying of TB every day. Most people do not know this." That includes here in the USA, so if you are looking for a New Year's resolution idea, consider volunteering for one of Stop TB USA's work groups (contact [leadership@stoptbusa.org](mailto:leadership@stoptbusa.org) for more information) and [donating](#) to help us **#EndTB!**

## **DC UPDATE**

### **Call your Senators and Representatives!**

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 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**

Get more involved with Stop TB USA! Email [leadership@stoptbusa.org](mailto:leadership@stoptbusa.org) for more details. Internship and Work Group positions available.

New opportunity: [TB Vaccine Advocacy Social Media Fellowship](#)

## **HIGHLIGHTED TB REPORTS/UPDATES**

- [NCHHSTP Metrics Dashboard: Tuberculosis Elimination](#)
- [Use of Xpert MTB/RIF and Xpert MTB/RIF Ultra on GeneXpert 10-colour instruments: WHO POLICY STATEMENT](#)
- [What's new in the TB section of the 2021 WHO Model Lists of Essential Medicines](#)
- [It's time for action on inequality to end TB and AIDS](#)
- [Global Fund Applauds Luxembourg's Contribution to the COVID-19 Response Mechanism](#)
- [COVID Deaths in 2021 > Combined Death Toll of HIV, TB, Malaria in 2020](#)

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

## TB IN THE NEWS

- [100-Year-Old Vaccine Keeps on Protecting](#)
- [Improved Tuberculosis Tests and Treatments are Vital to Overcoming Drug Resistance](#)
- [FDA Approves Wider Access to Automated Blood Test for Latent Tuberculosis](#)
- [Fighting TB: How One Collaboration Is Tackling A Deadly Disease In The Developing World](#)
- [Stop TB Partnership Warns of Increase in Tuberculosis Deaths Among People Living with HIV for the First Time in Over a Decade](#)
- [Boosting Accuracy for Tuberculosis Screening in HIV Patients](#)
- [National Institutes of Health Funds Tuberculosis Vaccine Research at TTUHSC El Paso](#)
- [Researchers Identify a Promising New Target for Tuberculosis Treatment](#)
- [Patients with tuberculosis face social stigma](#)
- [#TBT: Corpus Christi's Hilltop hospital housed tuberculosis patients starting in the '40s](#)

Read lots more TB news on our website page [‘From TB Wire!’](#)

## NEW RESOURCES

[TAG & Stop TB Partnership: TB Research Funding Trends, 2005–2020](#)

[WHO & the Global Fund: State of inequality: HIV, TB and Malaria](#)

[WHO: Evidence and research gaps identified during development of policy guidelines for TB](#)

**New TAG 2021 TB Pipeline Report Chapters**

- [Pipeline Report » 2021: Tuberculosis Diagnostics](#)
- [Pipeline Report » 2021 Tuberculosis Treatment](#)

**From the CDC:**

[Patient Education Materials Series](#)

[Tuberculosis: The Connection between TB and HIV](#)

[TB Resources in Dari and Pashto for Afghan Arrivals](#)

The [CDC Division of TB Elimination](#), the [Southeastern National Tuberculosis Center](#), and [Heartland National TB Center](#) offer additional TB patient education materials in Dari and Pashto, the two primary languages spoken in Afghanistan. These resources may be helpful as part of TB screening and follow-up of arrivals from Afghanistan as part of [Operation](#)



[Allies Welcome.](#)

[Cultural Quick Reference Guide: Afghanistan](#)

## **JOURNAL ARTICLES**

- [Latent Tuberculosis Infection](#)
- [Sociodemographic Characteristics, Comorbidities, and Mortality Among Persons Diagnosed With Tuberculosis and COVID-19 in Close Succession in California, 2020](#)
- [Tuberculosis screening among ambulatory people living with HIV: a systematic review and individual participant data meta-analysis](#)
- [Cut-off Points of Treatment Delay to Predict Poor Outcomes Among New Pulmonary Tuberculosis Cases in Dalian, China: A Cohort Study](#)
- [The effect of systematic screening of the general population on TB case notification rates](#)
- [Treatment Outcome of Tubercular Uveitis in a High TB and HIV Setting: A Prospective Cohort Study](#)
- [Sputum microbiota profiles of treatment-naïve TB patients in Uganda before and during first-line therapy](#)

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

## **COURSES/WORKSHOPS**

### [Hep B United/TB Elimination Alliance Summit](#)

Hep B United / TB Elimination Alliance Summit is hosting a webinar: *A Conversation with CDC Partners* with Dr. Carolyn Wester and Dr. Philip LoBue on **Thursday, January 20 at 1-2pm PT/4-5pm ET**. Please register [here](#).

### [The Union: Programmatic and Clinical Management of Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis](#)

## **EVENTS, MEETINGS, & CONFERENCES**

### [March 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>, 2022: Annual TB Conference: The Union – NAR](#)

### [May 13<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>: American Thoracic Society International Conference](#)

*Stop TB USA: Where we unite to #EndTB!*

*[Please consider donating to our cause here.](#)*

### **Stop TB USA**

[stoptbusa.org](http://stoptbusa.org)

[leadership@stoptbusa.org](mailto:leadership@stoptbusa.org)

1150 18<sup>th</sup> St NW Suite 300, Washington DC 20036-3803, US

