



State of Connecticut

Department of Public Health

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING TUBERCULOSIS SURVEILLANCE REPORTS (FORM TB-86)

(As required under Section 19a-36-A3 of the Public Health Code, and Sections 19a-262 and 19A-215 of the Connecticut General Statutes)

NOTE – Revised 2-page form as of 1/1/2009 for Suspect/Confirmed disease cases only.

WHAT TO REPORT:

Tuberculosis (TB) Disease, confirmed or suspected: suspected cases are persons with a positive Acid Fast Bacilli (AFB) smear and started on anti-TB therapy; or who are smear negative with clinical or radiographic evidence of TB and started on anti-TB therapy.

All immigration information is used for TB Control Program/Centers for Disease Control statistics only.

HOW AND WHEN TO REPORT TB DISEASE:

Immediately by fax/telephone on day of recognition or suspicion on the TB-86 form. On weekdays to both the local health director of the person's town of residence and the TB Control Program (phone: 860-509-7722, fax: 860-509-7743); on weekends or after hours by phone to the State Health Department (860-509-8000).

Within 12 hours of recognition or suspicion mail the completed TB-86 form to both the local health director of the person's town of residence and the TB Control Program.

HOW TO OBTAIN FREE MEDICATIONS FROM THE STATE OF CT:

Fax or mail completed TB-86 form, along with appropriate prescriptions to the State of Connecticut TB Control Program. Fax is preferred for faster processing of medication deliveries.

MAIL THE **WHITE COPY** IN AN ENVELOPE MARKED "CONFIDENTIAL" TO:
Tuberculosis Control Program
410 Capitol Ave. MS#11TUB
P.O. Box 340308
Hartford, CT 06134-0308

MAIL THE **YELLOW COPY** TO THE PATIENT'S LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

HOW AND WHEN TO REPORT TB/HIV CO-INFECTION OR LATENT TB INFECTION:

Please use new Latent TB Infection Report Form and instructions.

All forms are available on the Department of Public Health website at <http://www.ct.gov/dph>. Select Disease and Prevention from the left column, Tuberculosis, then Forms. Forms are also available by calling the TB Control Program at 860-509-7722.

Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) is the standard of care for all suspect/confirmed TB cases per The American Thoracic Society, Centers for Disease Control and the State Tuberculosis Control Program.

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