Public awareness, professional guidance and patient support resources from TB Alert the UK’s national tuberculosis charity

Our resources support public health, clinical and social care staff to meet the needs of people and communities affected by TB. They cover the full patient pathway from raising awareness and improving access to services, through to diagnosis and treatment. All materials can be accessed through the Professionals tab of The Truth About TB website (www.thetruthabouttb.org) – where you can search by keyword, language or resource type. The site also contains information, advice and support for the public. Our resources are available in a range of languages and can often be adapted for specific localities. For more information, contact Helen Clegg: helen.clegg@tbalert.org, 01273 234030.

Leaflets to support patients during treatment

Information to reinforce the advice and support given by TB Nurses and other professionals.

- TB: your questions answered
- TB and the BCG vaccination
- Contact tracing and screening
- TB and its diagnosis
- An important test (TB and HIV)
- TB treatment
- About Your TB Drugs
- About your treatment for latent TB
- Multi-drug resistant TB

Resources for public awareness and health promotion

- What should I know about TB? Information leaflet covering symptoms, transmission, risk factors and an explanation of latent and active TB
- Tailored information for TB-affected communities: South Asian, Somali, sub-Saharan African, and people who misuse drugs or alcohol
- ‘Teeby’ symptoms animation and screensaver: cartoon depictions of the main symptoms of TB
- TB symptoms card: wallet sized card detailing common TB symptoms and where to get help
- The Real Story: a 10 minute film featuring five people talking about their experiences of TB – plays in 10 languages.
- What do I need to know about latent TB? Leaflet introducing latent TB and who may benefit from testing and treatment

Posters

- Don’t pass it on
- The sooner the better
- Multi-lingual symptoms
- Latent TB testing and treatment

Guidance and advocacy

Access, testing and treatment: A toolkit for new entrant latent tuberculosis programmes by Public Health England, NHS England and TB Alert. How to maximise the uptake of latent TB testing and treatment and make programmes patient-focused to ensure maximum retention of patients along the pathway.

A suite of resources have been developed to accompany this toolkit, including template invitation and results letters.

Tackling TB in Under-Served Populations, by Public Health England, NHS England and TB Alert, provides a framework and practical examples to help TB Control Boards and their partners build collaborative TB services to work with under-served groups: homeless people; people who misuse drugs and/or alcohol; people in contact with the criminal justice system; migrants from high-incidence countries – particularly refugees, asylum seekers and those in immigration detention – and some people living with mental health problems.

Professional awareness and education resources

**UPDATED** Tuberculosis in General Practice: open access through the RCGP Online Learning Environment to help clinicians identify signs and symptoms of all forms of TB, refer patients to specialist services and provide appropriate case management. (www.elearning.rcgp.org.uk/tb)

TB Specialist Nurse Resource Pack: support for TBSNs to train primary care staff on TB through GP practice meetings and lunch time talks. Includes a comprehensive presentation on TB and detailed speaker’s notes.

TB Alert also offers bespoke in-house training for statutory and third sector organisations. Contact Helen Clegg: helen.clegg@tbalert.org, 01273 234030.

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