## THE TRUTH ABOUT TB

**Think TB** – early diagnosis and treatment is important for active TB

**Test and treat for latent TB** – prevention is better than cure

If you are concerned about TB, speak to your GP. To find out more about TB or for help to register with a GP, visit:

www.thetruthabouttb.org



Tuberculosis (TB) is a serious illness caused by airborne bacteria. You are more at risk if you:

- have links to a country where TB is common
- know someone who has had TB
- have low immunity
- live in crowded or poorly ventilated accommodation



## **ACTIVE TB**

- · TB bacteria are 'awake'
- · vou will feel unwell
- you could pass TB to others

Symptoms: cough, fever, weight loss, loss of appetite, night sweats, tiredness

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## LATENT TB

- TB bacteria are 'asleep'
- · you do not feel unwell
- you cannot pass TB to others



You have a 1 in 10 chance of developing active TB

www.thetruthabout**tb**.org/latent-tb