NC TB Control Program Policy Manual

I. Introduction

The goal of the North Carolina TB Control program is to decrease TB case rates by 2020:

- Decrease the TB case rate in U.S.-born persons to less than 0.4 cases per 100,000.
- Decrease the TB case rate for foreign-born persons to less than 10.6 cases per 100,000.
- Decrease the TB case rate in U.S. –born non-Hispanic blacks to less than 2.9 cases per 100,000.
- Decrease the TB case rate for children younger than 5 years of age to less than 1.2 cases per 100,000.

Aggressively interrupting transmission through appropriate disease treatment, minimizing the number of people who become newly infected, and providing appropriate preventive treatment to those who are infected are necessary to accomplish this goal.

The health department has the legal authority and responsibility to coordinate all TB efforts in its jurisdiction. The TB Medical Advisory Committee provides input for TB Control program policy development. Medical, nursing, epidemiologic, and health education support for health departments and other health care providers are available through the state TB Control program.

The North Carolina Tuberculosis Policy Manual (12th Edition, 2018, in conjunction with the following references, provides policy for local health departments for the management of tuberculosis disease and infection:

*Interactive Core Curriculum on Tuberculosis.* CDC, 2016.


*Guidelines for the Prevention and Treatment of Opportunistic Infections in HIV-Infected Adults and Adolescents.* 2013

*Managing Drug Interactions in the Treatment of HIV-Related Tuberculosis.* CDC 2013


Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. *Prevention and Control of Tuberculosis in Correctional and Detention Facilities:* Recommendations from CDC; 2006; 55 (No. RR-9).

Copies of many TB references may be downloaded at: https://www.cdc.gov/tb/education/provider_edmaterials.htm


Future revisions to the 2018 TB Control Program Policy Manual will be available only on the referenced website.

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