

California TB Controllers Association Title 22 Tuberculosis (TB) Testing Program Flexibility Checklist

Program flexibility for deviation from annual TB testing required by Title 22, California Code of Regulations is request by:

Healthcare Facility Name:		
Facility Address:		
Facility Administrator:	Date:	

Facilities or agencies applying for Title 22 program flexibility to deviate from annual testing requirements are required to do so on a periodic basis (maximum four years) by the Center for Health Care Quality (CHCQ) and should submit this form with attestation to the following procedures and practices in their application to CHCQ. (https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CHCQ/LCP/Pages/California-TB-Testing-Regulations.aspx).

Facilities or agencies with annual testing requirements include: Acute Day Health Center (ADHC) Acute Psychiatric Hospitals (APH) Chemical Dependency Recovery Hospitals (CDRH) General Acute Care Hospitals (GACH) Home Health Agencies (HHA) Intermediate Care Facilities (ICF) Intermediate Care Facilities for Developmentally Disabled (ICF/DD) . Intermediate Care Facility for the Developmentally Disabled-Habilitative (ICF/DD-H) **Psychology Clinic** . Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF)

The California TB Controllers Association does not support Title 22 program flexibility for annual TB testing in Correctional Treatment Centers (CTCs).

agrees to implement the following procedures and practices as part of the program flexibility request for TB testing:

- □ California TB Controllers guidance for HCP TB testing and evaluation (attach document with application), including continuation of annual testing in HCP at higher risk for occupational TB exposure. (ctca.org/wp-content/uploads/HCP-screening2024.pdf)
- Mandated reporting for TB and suspected TB (California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Section 2500, including initial report of a hospitalized patient.
 (https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/CDPH%20Document%20Library/ReportableDiseases.pdf)
- Required local health department approval for hospital discharge (Gotch Law HSC 121361 (<u>https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=121361.&lawCode=HSC</u>)
- Contact investigation outcome following a TB exposure within the healthcare facility. (<u>https://www.dir.ca.gov/title8/5199.html</u>)



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acknowledges the following are best practices for infection prevention and employee health in healthcare personnel on an ongoing basis.

- Annual documentation of percent TB test conversion for annual testing, which is the number of HCP with positive TB test within two years of a previous negative TB test/total number of HCP undergoing annual testing in a given year.
- Annual documentation of percent of contact investigations with possible or confirmed TB transmission, which is the number of contact investigations with possible or confirmed TB transmission in a year/ total number of contact investigations in a year.

Other recommendations by Local Health Department:

Health Care Facility Administrator Signature

Health Officer or Designee Signature

Date

Date