Tool for Institutional Use to be Completed by Incoming Students

Tuberculosis (TB) Screening Questionnaire

Please answer the following questions:

Have you ever had a positive TB skin test?  □ Yes  □ No

Have you ever had close contact with anyone who was sick with TB?  □ Yes  □ No

Were you born in one of the countries listed below and arrived in the U.S. within the
past 5 years? * (If yes, please CIRCLE the country)  □ Yes  □ No

Have you ever traveled** to/in one or more of the countries listed below? (If yes,
please CHECK the country/ies)  □ Yes  □ No

Have you ever been vaccinated with BCG?  □ Yes  □ No

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*future CDC updates may eliminate the 5 year time frame

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Source: World Health Organization Global Tuberculosis Control, WHO Report 2007, Countries with Tuberculosis incidence rates of
> 20 cases per 100,000 population. For future updates, refer to www.who.int/globalatlas/dataQuery/default.asp

If the answer is YES to any of the above questions, MTSU requires that a health care provider complete a tuberculosis risk assessment (to be completed within
6months prior to the start of classes).

If the answer to all of the above questions is NO, no further testing or further action is required.
Tool for Use by Health Care Provider in the Clinical Setting

**Tuberculosis (TB) Risk Assessment**

Persons with any of the following are candidates for either Mantoux tuberculin skin test (TST) or Interferon Gamma Release Assay (IGRA), unless a previous positive test has been documented:

**Risk Factor:**
Recent close contact with someone with infectious TB disease

- Yes
- No

Foreign-born from (or travel* to/in) a high-prevalence area (e.g., Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, or Central or South America)

- Yes
- No

Fibrotic changes on a prior chest x-ray suggesting inactive or past TB disease

- Yes
- No

HIV/AIDS

- Yes
- No

Organ transplant recipient

- Yes
- No

Immunosuppressed (equivalent of > 15 mg/day of prednisone for >1 month or TNF-\( \alpha \) antagonist)

- Yes
- No

History of illicit drug use

- Yes
- No

Resident, employee, or volunteer in a high-risk congregate setting (e.g., correctional facilities, nursing homes, homeless shelters, hospitals, and other health care facilities)

- Yes
- No

Medical condition associated with increased risk of progressing to TB disease if infected [e.g., diabetes mellitus, silicosis, head, neck, or lung cancer, hematologic or reticuloendothelial disease such as Hodgkin’s disease or leukemia, end stage renal disease, intestinal bypass or gastrectomy, chronic malabsorption syndrome, low body weight (i.e., 10% or more below ideal for the given population]

- Yes
- No

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1. Does the student have signs or symptoms of active tuberculosis disease? Yes _____ No _____
   
If No, proceed to 2 or 3. If Yes, proceed with additional evaluation to exclude active tuberculosis disease including tuberculin skin testing, chest x-ray, and sputum evaluation as indicated.

2. **Tuberculin Skin Test (TST)**
   (TST result should be recorded as actual millimeters (mm) of induration, transverse diameter; if no induration, write “0”. The TST interpretation should be based on mm of induration as well as risk factors.)**

   Date Given: _____/_____/____
   
   Date Read: _____/_____/____
   
   Result: ________ mm of induration
   
   **Interpretation: positive____ negative____
3. Interferon Gamma Release Assay (IGRA)

Date Obtained: ___/___/____ (specify method) QFT-G QFT-GIT other____

M D Y

Result: Negative___ Positive___ Intermediate___

4. Chest x-ray: (Required if TST or IGRA is positive)

Date of chest x-ray: ___/___/____ Result: normal____ abnormal____

M D Y

Medical Provider Name and Title:_______________________________________________________

Signature:________________________________________________Date Signed:_________________

**Interpretation guidelines**

>_5 mm is positive:
- Recent close contacts of an individual with infectious TB
- Persons with fibrotic changes on a prior chest x-ray consistent with past TB disease
- Organ transplant recipients
- Immunosuppressed persons: taking > 15 mg/d of prednisone for > 1 month; taking a TNF-α antagonist
- Persons with HIV/AIDS

>_10 mm is positive:
- Persons born in a high prevalence country or who resided in one for a significant* amount of time
- History of illicit drug use
- Mycobacteriology laboratory personnel
- History of resident, worker or volunteer in high-risk congregate settings
- Persons with the following clinical conditions: silicosis, diabetes mellitus, chronic renal failure, leukemias and lymphomas, head, neck or lung cancer, low body weight (>10% below ideal), gastrectomy or intestinal bypass, chronic malabsorption syndromes

>_15 mm is positive:
- Persons with no known risk factors for TB disease

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