

World TB Day 2024

*Preventing Tuberculosis from Globetrotting:
Exploring Travel Policies and Processes*

March 22, 2024

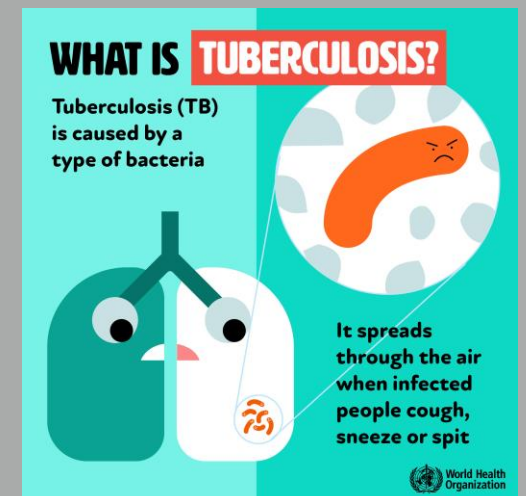
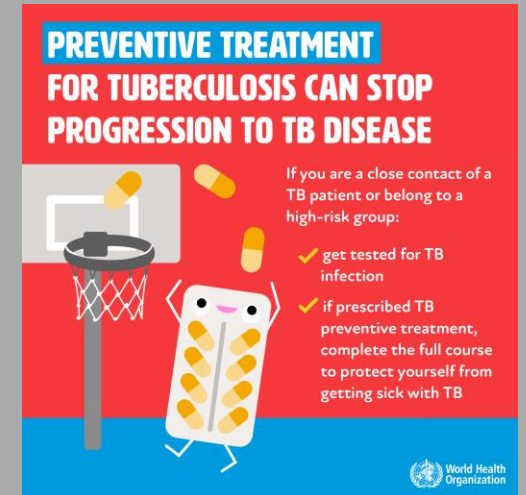
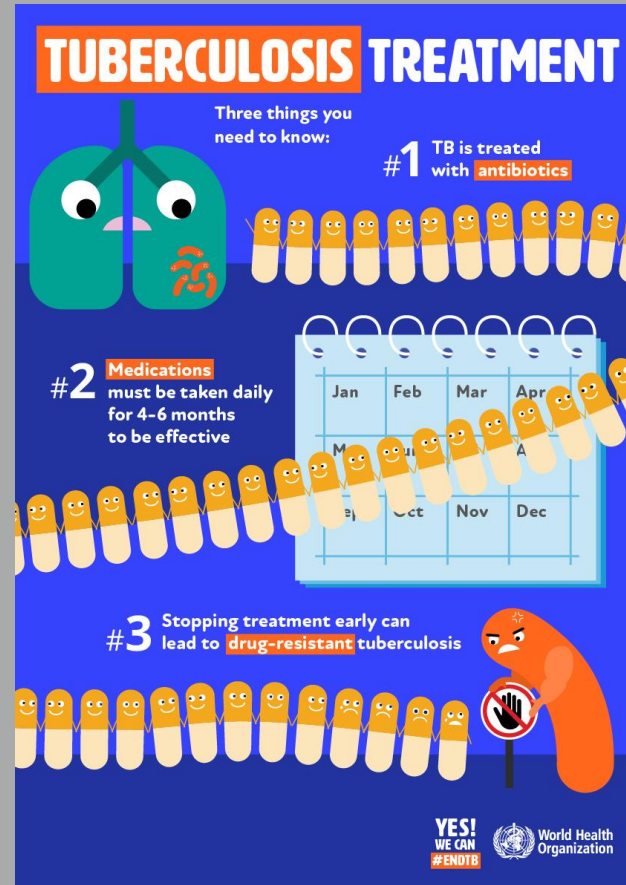
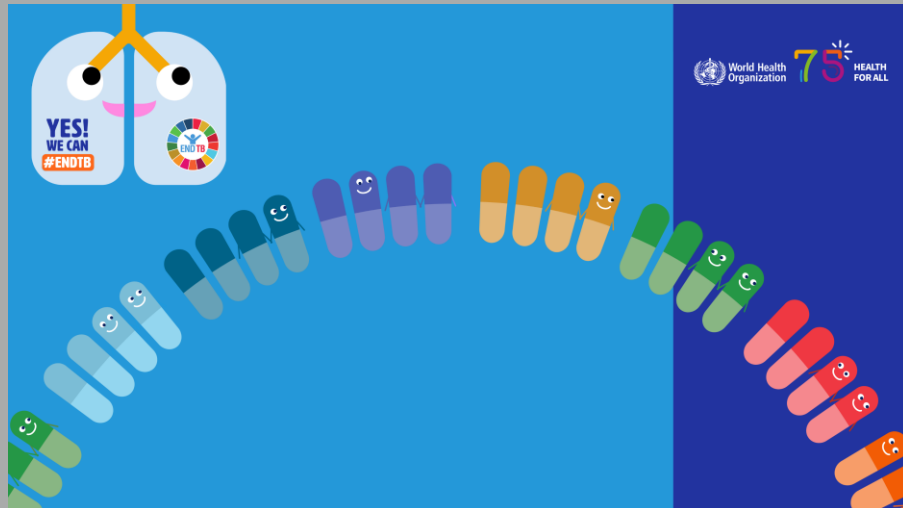
Social Media Challenge!

Join SNTC in their 2024 “Yes We Can END TB” social media challenge!

- Choose your character from their website
- Take or Upload a photo of yourself and adjust to fit the frame.
- Get creative with your character!
- Download and send the photo to SNTC@medicine.ufl.edu with the subject line: Yes We Can END TB.
- Follow SNTC on Facebook to see your images posted!

World Health Organization's World TB Day Media Package

Check out [WHO's Media Library](#) and download a variety of posters, social media templates, and zoom backgrounds!



TB Program Update

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TB Program Update – A (very busy) year in review

- Staffing updates
- Humanitarian parolee programs
- Trainings and meetings
- LTBI projects
- Epidemiology activities

Meet our team!



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Humanitarian parolees

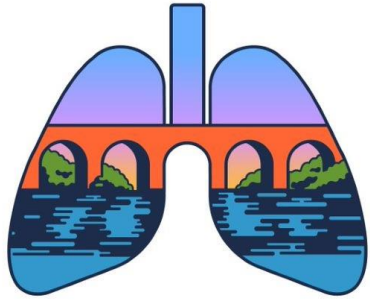
- Throughout 2023, individuals continued to arrive in the United States via humanitarian parolee programs coordinated by the Federal Government
- Countries include:
 - Cuba
 - Haiti
 - Nicaragua
 - Ukraine
 - Venezuela
- Local health departments worked to connect parolees to provide TB screening and IGRA testing and connect individuals to a permanent medical home

Country of Origin	Number of Parolees
Cuba	35
Haiti	21
Nicaragua	81
Ukraine	827
Venezuela	154
Grand Total	1118

Trainings and meetings

- The VDH TB Program provided trainings for health district staff including:
 - Electronic Disease Network (EDN) overview
 - New TB Nurse Training
 - Use of Virginia Electronic Disease Surveillance System (VEDSS) for TB and LTBI data entry
 - Best practices for dealing with correctional facilities
- TB Program and local health district staff also presented on national calls:
 - Highlight on VDH's TB Workload Evaluation and results
 - Measuring impact of community LTBI awareness campaign (NOVA TB Taskforce)
 - Best practices for cohort review
 - Impact of humanitarian parolee media campaign
- Poster presentation by Laura Young at National TB Conference

Trainings and meetings



39th
**Annual Southeastern
TB Conference**
October 24–26, 2023
Richmond, VA



LTBI Projects

- **Project LIFT**
 - Filling gaps in LTBI surveillance data through outreach to providers
 - Opportunity for provider education and improved LTBI surveillance data
 - Outcomes have highlighted complexities in LTBI surveillance
- **Partnership with Mason and Partners (MAP) Clinic**
 - Continued from 2022, will conclude at end of 2023
 - Screening, testing, and treatment of patients at community-based clinic at increased risk for LTBI
- **Partnership with Health Brigade**
 - Newly established project focused on providing screening, testing, treatment, and care navigation to clients at increased risk for LTBI
 - Working in partnership with the HIV Testing Program to streamline administrative processes
- **Coordination of humanitarian parolee screening/testing**
 - Large lift for districts and for central office
 - Reporting, tracking, and expense reimbursement for IGRA tests



Latent TB. Active Concern.
Tuberculosis Program



health brigade

Epidemiology activities

- Routine surveillance for active TB cases and data collection during case management
- Continuing to examine LTBI surveillance data
 - Quality
 - Utility
- Handful of cases with large/complex contact investigations
- Bone allograft outbreak
 - Caused by contaminated viable bone matrix material
 - Multi-state impact, including Virginia
 - Diligent work of Virginia local and state health department staff contributed to confirmation of bone matrix as source of outbreak

Thank you!

- Local health district staff
- Medical and healthcare providers
- Hospitals and healthcare systems
- Laboratory staff
- Community partners
- Academic partners
- Federal agency support
- VDH Central Office TB and Newcomer Health Team