



# Connecticut Tuberculosis (TB) Risk Assessment

See *the Connecticut TB Risk Assessment User Guide* for more information about using this tool.

- Use this tool to identify asymptomatic **adults and children** for latent TB infection (LTBI) testing.
- This tool can be used for school-aged children to determine if a student should have a TB test.
- This risk assessment does not supersede any TB testing mandated by statute, regulation or policy.
- **Do not repeat testing** unless there are **new risk factors** since the last test.  
*If initial negative screening test occurred prior to 6 months of age, repeat testing should occur at age 6 months or older.*
- Do not treat for LTBI until active TB disease has been excluded:  
*For persons with TB symptoms or an abnormal chest x-ray, evaluate for active TB disease with a chest x-ray, symptom screen, and if indicated, sputum acid-fast bacilli (AFB) smears, cultures and nucleic acid amplification testing (NAAT). A negative tuberculin skin test (TST) or interferon gamma release assay (IGRA) does not rule out active TB disease.*

## LTBI testing is recommended if any of the boxes below are checked.

### Birth, travel, or residence for at least 1 month in a country with an elevated TB rate

- Includes any country other than the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, or a country in western or northern Europe
- If resources require prioritization within this group, prioritize patients with at least one medical risk for progression (see the Connecticut Tuberculosis Risk Assessment User Guide for this list).
- IGRA is preferred over TST for non-U.S.-born persons  $\geq 2$  years old

### Immunosuppression, current or planned

- HIV infection, organ transplant recipient, treated with TNF-alpha antagonist (e.g., infliximab, etanercept, others), steroids (equivalent of prednisone  $\geq 2$  mg/kg/day, or  $\geq 15$  mg/day for  $\geq 1$  month) or other immunosuppressive medication

### Close contact to someone with infectious TB disease

- Should test if patient has never been tested for this exposure

## Treat for LTBI if TB test result is positive and active TB disease is ruled out.

### None of the above: No TB testing is indicated at this time.\*

**Please complete all information below:**

Patient/Student

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Provider's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Assessment Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

\*See The Connecticut TB Risk Assessment: User Guide section "Local recommendations, mandated testing and other risk factors."