



## **Public Health TB Clinic Information Update**

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Dear Colleagues,

This message is to inform you of upcoming changes to clinical services provided at the Stanislaus County Health Services Agency – Public Health, Tuberculosis Clinic (TB clinic). Effective June 1, 2019, the TB Clinic will no longer offer TB Screening (PPD/IGRA/Risk Assessment), treatment for Latent TB infections (LTBI) or Clearance for work and/or school. Patients should seek care from their regular provider or from a federally qualified health center (FQHC) in the community. The primary role of the TB program will be to ensure appropriate hospital discharge and medical case management for patients with TB disease. This will include contact investigations and providing Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) to all patients with TB disease.

For guidance with LTBI diagnosis and treatment, please see the California Tuberculosis Controllers Association (CTCA) guidelines <a href="here">here</a>. Assistance with TB diagnosis and treatment is available by sending an email to <a href="mailto:TBNurse@schsa.org">TBNurse@schsa.org</a> or calling (209) 558-8880, and speaking with a TB nurse.

The TB program will continue to provide medical consultation to hospitals, primary care providers and civil surgeons.