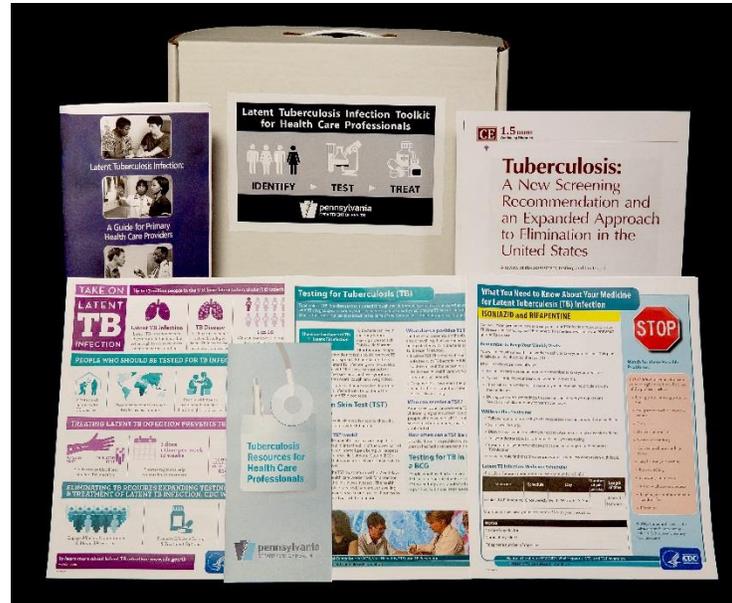


PA TB Program Introduces the LTBI Toolkit

The CDC estimates that up to 13 million people have undiagnosed latent TB infection (LTBI). This means there are about 1,400 people with LTBI for every one case of TB, representing a vast reservoir of potential new cases of TB disease.

Eliminating TB requires expanded efforts to diagnose and treat LTBI, including increased collaboration between the public and private health sectors.

To assist in that effort, the PA TB Program is pleased to announce the availability of the LTBI Toolkit.



The toolkit was designed as a tool for primary care physicians (PCPs) who are likely to see patients at increased risk of TB infection.

Key components of the kit include:

- The educational CDC guidebook, “Latent Tuberculosis Infection: A Guide for Primary Health Providers”
- An article from the August 2017 issue of the American Journal of Nursing titled, “Tuberculosis: A New Screening Recommendation and an Expanded Approach to Elimination in the United States”
- A new tri-fold brochure listing three key resources for information about TB (the PA TB Program, CDC and the Global TB Institute at Rutgers)
- CDC infographics about LTBI and TB Disease
- CDC factsheets about:
 - Who to test for LTBI
 - The two types of tests – the TST and the blood tests
 - The three different LTBI treatment regimens
- CDC factsheets for patients about their LTBI treatment regimen

The toolkit is packaged in a box that measures 13” wide by 9 1/2” high by 3” deep. The box is a convenient place to store the TB materials and has a carry handle for convenience.

To order the LTBI toolkit, call the PA TB Program at 717-787-6267.