

TAKE ON TB

Washington State

Too many people in Washington State still suffer from tuberculosis (TB).



219

TB cases reported in 2023

9,633 cases of TB were reported in the U.S. in 2023

The TB case rate is:

2.8

per 100,000 people

The national average is 2.9 per 100,000 people

TB IS PREVENTABLE & CURABLE.



TB is spread through the air from one person to another.

Symptoms of TB disease include:

- Cough lasting longer than 3 weeks
- Chest pain
- Night sweats
- Weight loss
- Weakness
- Chills
- Fever

A typical person with TB disease in the United States requires:



PLUS

- X-rays
- Lab tests
- Follow-up & testing of contacts

TB CAN HAPPEN ANYWHERE & TO ANYONE.

To eliminate TB, we must prioritize groups at increased risk for TB:



People who have lived where TB disease is common



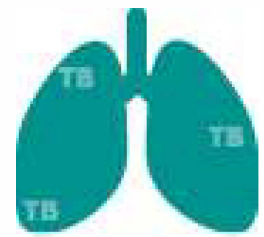
Those with health conditions that weaken immune systems



Close contacts to someone with infectious TB disease



People at increased risk for TB infection should get tested.



Treating latent TB infection prevents TB disease.

ELIMINATING TB REQUIRES A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH.



Testing & treatment of populations at risk for TB



Maintaining strong TB programs to find & treat TB cases



Addressing the threat of drug-resistant TB



Engaging affected communities and medical providers

To learn more about TB, visit:

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/TB>

