

## Residential Staff

### REQUIRED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

- Tuberculosis Testing

**TUBERCULOSIS TESTING**

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**POLICY**

Davis Behavioral Health recommends employees or clients of day treatment or residential programs receive Tuberculosis testing annually. Testing can be performed at the Utah Health Department.

**PURPOSE**

Many of the populations we serve are at an increased risk for tuberculosis. Those include Individuals who are substance abusers; Individuals who inject illicit drugs; Low income or traditionally under-served groups with poor access to health care, e.g., homeless persons; Residents of mental institutions and homeless shelters; and close contacts of those with infectious tuberculosis. Testing will help identify those infected so that they can receive adequate treatment quickly and mitigate the spread of disease.

**PROCEDURE**

Every Davis Behavioral Health employee and client entering day-treatment or residential programs who agree to be tested for tuberculosis will go to the Health Department in order to receive testing. If the test is positive, the employee or treatment programs will follow the health department's direction.