

Policies & Procedures

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Subject: Tuberculosis Testing

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PURPOSE

TUBERCULOSIS TESTING

Many of the populations we serve are at an increased risk for tuberculosis. This includes 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.

POLICY

Davis Behavioral Health requires employees and clients of substance use residential programs receive Tuberculosis testing annually.

PROCEDURE

Every Davis Behavioral Health employee and client entering substance use or residential programs are required to be tested for tuberculosis. If the test is positive, the employee or treatment programs will follow the health department's direction.

During times of tuberculosis test shortages, DBH will follow different procedures outlined by the office of licensing.