

WHAT and WHEN TO REPORT TUBERCULOSIS

⚙ Please do not wait for lab results to confirm a diagnosis of active TB prior to reporting ⚙

1) ACTIVE TB, CONFIRMED

- A person who has had a specimen (from any body site) with final result of Mycobacterium tuberculosis (M.tb) or M.tb complex (by culture, or molecular test)
 - WHEN: Within 1 working day
 - HOW: By CalRedie portal, faxing a TB CMR to the Communicable Disease Unit (**check “Confirmed box” in status section**), or phone

2) ACTIVE TB, SUSPECT

- A person for whom a health care provider suspects, after evaluating signs, symptoms, and/or, laboratory/radiographic evidence, is likely to have TB in any body site.
 - WHEN: Within 1 working day
 - HOW: By CalRedie portal, faxing a TB CMR to the Communicable Disease Unit (**check “Suspect box” in status section**), or phone

3) CHILDREN UNDER 5 YEARS OF AGE DIAGNOSED WITH LATENT TB INFECTION

- Either a positive TB skin test (TST) or a TB blood test (interferon gamma release assay), and a negative chest x-ray (PA and Lateral)
 - WHEN: Within 1 week
 - HOW: By CalRedie portal, faxing a TB CMR to the Communicable Disease Unit (**check “Infected, no disease -converter box” in status section**), or phone

4) INDIVIDUALS DIAGNOSED WITH LATENT TB DURING A CIVIL SURGEON EXAM

- A TB blood test (interferon gamma release assay), and a negative chest x-ray
 - WHEN: Within 1 week
 - HOW: By CalRedie portal, faxing a TB CMR to the Communicable Disease Unit (**check “Infected, no disease box” in status section**), or phone

WHERE TO REPORT

- CalREDIE Portal. Go to: <http://santacruzhealth.org/Portals/7/Pdfs/PH%20Reporting/CalRedieProviderFlyer.pdf> to set up an account if needed
- Communicable Disease Unit (CDU). **Fax: (831) 454 - 5049** **Phone: (831) 454 – 4114**

After Hours: (831) 471 – 1170

⚙ ISOLATE all suspect, or confirmed cases of active pulmonary, laryngeal, or pleural TB until advised otherwise by the Santa Cruz County Communicable Disease Unit ⚙