

Testing for Tuberculosis¹

All testing must take place in the United States at a licensed medical facility.

You are required to obtain a blood test (includes QuantiFERON and T-Spot) for TB screening if:

**You have had a positive TB skin test in the past and have not taken antibiotics for it or you took antibiotics for less than a month*

**You were born or lived in a country with a high incidence of TB (includes Mexico and most countries in Central America, South America, Eastern Europe, Asia, and Africa)*

**You have had BCG (Bacille Calmette-Guerin) immunization*

**You have / had cancer, leukemia, diabetes, kidney disease, HIV / AIDS*

**You take an immunosuppressive medication such as prednisone*

**You have a history of drug or alcohol abuse*

**You have been told you have / had an atypical mycobacteria infection*

**You are an international student*

**You are an HB 1403 student*

You may obtain a TB Skin Test (the only acceptable skin test for TB is the Mantoux test) if:

**you do not meet any of the criteria listed for a blood test for TB (please review carefully)*

**you were born or lived in a country with a low incidence of TB (includes the United States, Canada, Europe, and Australia) and you have never had a positive TB skin test*

You are required to obtain a Chest X-Ray and to complete a Statement of Tuberculosis Clearance² if:

**you have a history of a positive TB skin test and took antibiotics for one month or more*

**you have a positive or indeterminate / borderline TB blood test*

NOTES on Chest X-Rays (CXR)

**A new TWU student must submit a current CXR report that is within 365 days +/- 5 days from the first day of class*

**Returning TWU students needing yearly TB screening who have already submitted a CXR report will need to submit a completed Statement of Tuberculosis Clearance yearly; a yearly CXR is not required if the student is otherwise well*

¹Please see **TWU Board of Regents Policy 6.01 Student Tuberculosis Screening and Case Management** <http://www.twu.edu/regents/p-student-tuberculosis-screening-and-case-management.asp> for the complete TB policy.

² Please complete the appropriate form: New International and HB 1403 students should use Statement of Tuberculosis Clearance: International Students (New and Transfer) and New [HB 1403 Students](#) and all others should use [Statement of Tuberculosis Clearance](#).