

Management of patients with confirmed or suspected pulmonary Tuberculosis (TB)

DATE:	SUSPECTED CASE	NAME:
WARD:	CONFIRMED CASE	HOSP NO:

? Pulmonary TB

Cough > 3weeks
Weight loss
Night sweats
From high incidence country or ethnic group
(e.g. Indian Sub-continent, Sub Saharan Africa, former USSR)

Date completed / signature

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| 1. Isolate patient in a monitored negative pressure isolation room
If none available use a side room on a ward with no
immunocompromised patients. Use FFP3 mask for aerosol
generating procedures (AGPs) | --/--/---- / _____ |
| 2. Inform Infection Prevention and Control Team | --/--/---- / _____ |
| 3. Collect sputum x 3 (consecutive mornings) for microscopy and
culture for TB (Send to microbiology) | --/--/---- / _____ |
| 4. Chest X-ray | --/--/---- / _____ |
| 5. HIV Test if TB confirmed or strongly suspected. | --/--/---- / _____ |

? Multi-Drug Resistant (MDR) TB

Prior TB treatment
Treatment failure
Contact with a known case of drug resistant TB
Birth in a foreign country with high incidence of MDR TB
A patient who shows no improvement after 5-7 days of monitored treatment.
HIV infection

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| 1. Isolate patient in a monitored negative pressure isolation room
& use FFP3 mask on entering room | --/--/---- / _____ |
| 2. Inform Infection Prevention and Control Team | --/--/---- / _____ |
| 3. Refer to TB physician ASAP (Dr Deacon/Dr Singh) | --/--/---- / _____ |

Anti – TB treatment commenced

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| 1. Notify CCDC using enhanced TB surveillance form | --/--/---- / _____ |
| 2. Send TB notification to:
CCDC C/O - TB Nurse Specialist, Kidderminster Treatment Centre,
Kidderminster, DY11 6RJ | --/--/---- / _____ |
| 3. Contact Mary Steadman TB Nurse Specialist 01562 512 316 to
advise of patient on ward. | --/--/---- / _____ |
| 4. Advise TB nurse of discharge and give copy of discharge letter to
patient, so follow up and contact tracing can be arranged. | --/--/---- / _____ |

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