



# Coalition to End TB in LAC Meeting



October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024



# Agenda

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- Welcome and Introductions
- TBCP Updates
- Elimination Plan Feedback and Discussion
- World TB Day Activities
- ETN/PEN Conference Update
- Identify Next Steps
- Poll/ Next Meeting/ Adjourn



# Welcome!

- Please state your organization you are representing in the chat box
- New members? Introduce yourself

If able, we ask that you turn on your cameras for engagement



# Icebreaker!

What is your favorite fall activity?



# TBCP Updates



- AB 2132
- Southern California Regional Community at Practice



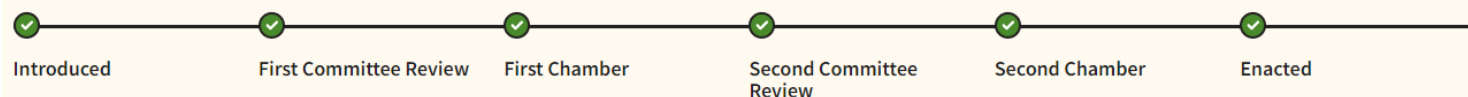
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## AB 2132: Health care services: tuberculosis.

Session Year: 2023-2024 House: Assembly

Current Status: **PASSED** ✓ (2024-09-29: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 951, Statutes of 2024.)



- Law requires patients 18 years of age or older to be offered TB screening by their primary care provider if TB risk factors are identified and services are covered by patient's insurance
- Providers are required to offer follow-up care or refer to provider can provide care if screening test is positive
- Medi-Cal managed care plans are required to ensure access to care for LTBI and TB disease



# Coalition Outreach Results

## Recommendations Selected by Confirmed 2025 Coalition Members

Recommendation	Organization
<b>Recommendation 1:</b> Find and engage persons and populations at high-risk for TB and their providers in LAC(LAC).	Kaiser Permanente QIAGEN
<b>Recommendation 2:</b> Apply focused and effective strategies for TB testing in Los Angeles County.	QIAGEN
<b>Recommendation 4:</b> Develop strong and effective partnerships to eliminate TB in Los Angeles County.	Breathe Southern California QIAGEN
<b>Recommendation 5:</b> Create an effective education and communication plan to promote testing for and treatment of LTBI to health providers and the community in Los Angeles County.	DHS/DPH
<b>Recommendation 8:</b> Promote TB research.	Breathe Southern California
<b>Recommendation 9:</b> Promote equitable access and outcomes for the diagnosis and treatment of LTBI and TB disease for all residents of LAC.	DHS



# Elimination Plan Discussion

## Recommendations for TB Elimination

### Recommendations

**Recommendation 1:** Find and engage persons and populations at high-risk for TB and their providers in LAC(LAC).

**Recommendation 2:** Apply focused and effective strategies for TB testing in Los Angeles County.

**Recommendation 3:** Optimize treatment for TB infection

**Recommendation 4:** Develop strong and effective partnerships to eliminate TB in Los Angeles County.

**Recommendation 5:** Create an effective education and communication plan to promote testing for and treatment of LTBI to health providers and the community in Los Angeles County.

**Recommendation 6:** Develop and implement a surveillance system for reporting, tracking and evaluation of TB Infection in Los Angeles County.

**Recommendation 7:** Secure sufficient resources for implementing the LAC TB elimination plan.

**Recommendation 8:** Promote TB research.

**Recommendation 9:** Promote equitable access and outcomes for the diagnosis and treatment of LTBI and TB disease for all residents of LAC.

## How can/do you support?





# Previous World TB Day Activities





# Past Activities

- Grand Park Testimonial Wall
- Draft a Proclamation for the acknowledgement of World TB Day
- Award certificates to outstanding coalition members
- Light Up the World
- Bulletin board displays at clinics
- Art contest
- Education Events
  - Provider education sessions
  - Webinars/ Seminars
  - Tabling at local health clinics, churches, farmers markets etc.



# Join us at Grand Park for World Tuberculosis (TB) Day!

**Grand Park in DTLA**

200 N. Grand Avenue

Los Angeles, CA 90012

**Tuesday, March 24, 2020**

**5:30 pm — 7:30 pm**

**Free and open to the public!**

- Learn about Tuberculosis (TB)
- Hear from TB survivors
- Enjoy food, giveaways, and more!
- Watch the fountain light up in red to honor victims and survivors of TB

**Past Activities:  
2020**

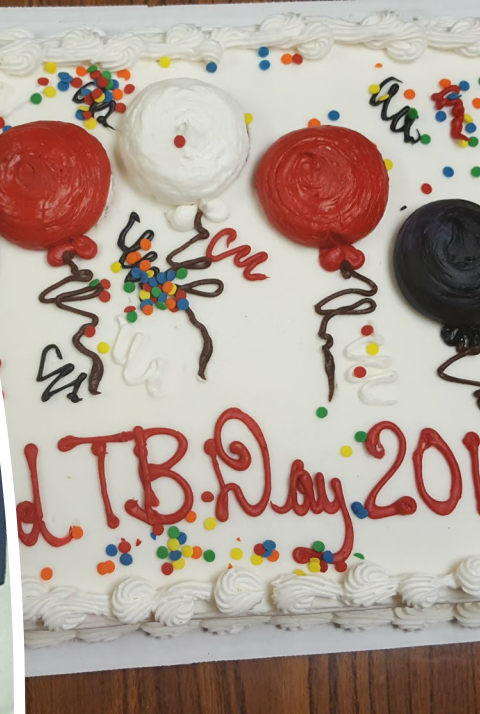
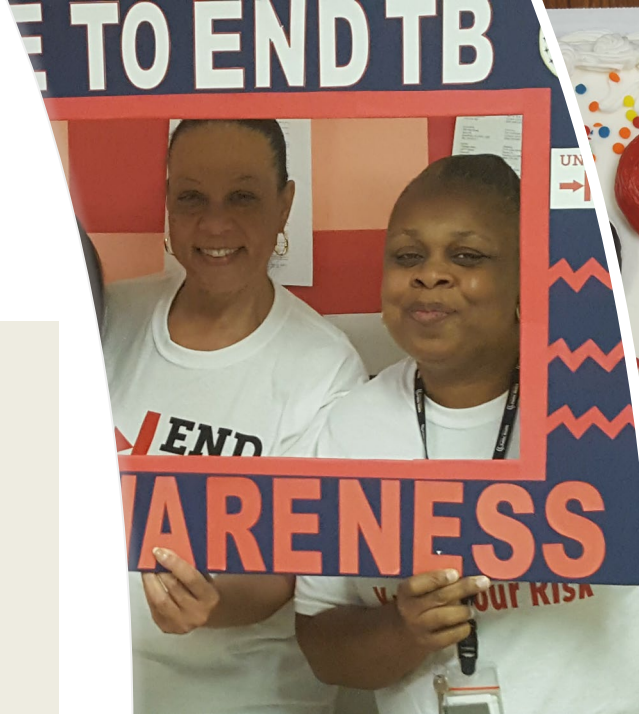


# TB testing at a homeless shelter

March 2016



# Past Activities: 2017





## Past Activities: 2015





# Past Activities: 2015





# Suggestions from Coalition Members







**Go to [mentimeter.com](https://www.mentimeter.com) and enter  
code:  
9893 8837**





# Proposed Activities

- Proclamation
- Light Up the World
- Red Paper Lanterns
- Education activity with a nonprofit that serves a high priority population
- Social media scavenger hunt
- Social media campaign





# Status Report

<b>LUTW:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	LAX form and request for City Hall have been submitted, other forms are pending.
<b>Locations:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	Proposed locations include Echo Park Lake and Yaanga Park.
<b>Proclamation:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	Draft in progress.
<b>Activities:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	Ideas have been formed, no confirmed activities.



## CDC Education Training Network (ETN)/Program Evaluation Network (PEN) Conference

- September 17-19, 2024 in Atlanta, GA
- Opportunity for TB Control Program staff across the country to meet and expand their understanding on TB education, training, and program evaluation
- Impactful stories from TB survivors and learned more about We Are TB/Somos TB
- Valuable information and resource sharing





## **CDC Education Training Network (ETN)/Program Evaluation Network (PEN) Conference (cont.)**

Presentations from LAC TBCP staff:

- Edward Lan, MPH - **Strategies to Improve the Care Cascade Among Immigrants and Refugees**
- Sophia Hsu, RN, MSN, MPH – **Strategies to Conduct and Evaluate Targeted Testing**
- April King-Todd, RN, BSN, MPH – **CDC's *Think. Test. Treat TB* Campaign Overview and Results**



## LAC Campaign Experience





# We Are TB- Support Group

## We Are TB

a supportive community of tuberculosis (TB) survivors, people in treatment, and family members committed to the common goal of eliminating TB



We Are TB volunteers and friends celebrating after an advocacy training in Atlanta GA, 2019.

## Anyone can get tuberculosis.

**We Are TB** is here for **YOU**. Talk to someone who understands.

**We Are TB** volunteers have been where you are right now. We understand. We're here to support you during diagnosis and treatment, through your struggles, triumphs, and fears.

During and beyond treatment, members of **We Are TB** can serve as advocates, raising awareness about TB, and sharing their personal story to educate and reduce the stigma of TB.

"My son Jackson was diagnosed at 6 months old after being seen time and time again by different doctors and ER visits. After 18+ months of treatment, Jack is now a healthy and happy 2 year old."

— Kristine, Texas

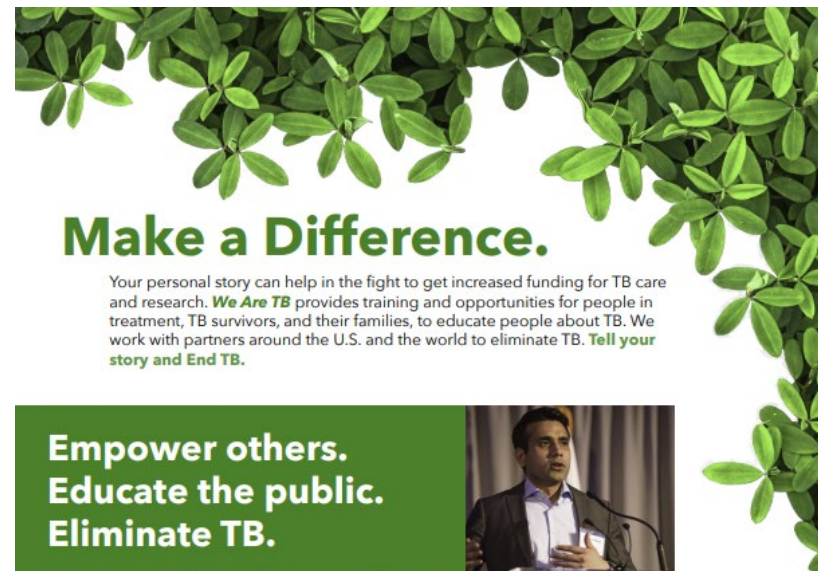


"It's important to understand that the enemy is the disease. Not the person who is the victim of it. TB patients... know that you are strong and resilient."

— Tenzin, Massachusetts

### Let's talk.

Start by visiting us at [WeAreTB.com](http://WeAreTB.com), and a **We Are TB** volunteer will reach out. We're also on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter!



## Make a Difference.

Your personal story can help in the fight to get increased funding for TB care and research. **We Are TB** provides training and opportunities for people in treatment, TB survivors, and their families, to educate people about TB. We work with partners around the U.S. and the world to eliminate TB. **Tell your story and End TB.**

**Empower others.  
Educate the public.  
Eliminate TB.**

**We're ready to show you how.**



We advocate for better diagnostic and treatment options. **We Are TB** volunteers speak to lawmakers, attend regional and national conferences, and reach out through the press to represent those impacted by this stigmatized and misunderstood disease.

**There's a place for you at We Are TB.**

Join us or get more information at

**[WeAreTB.com](http://WeAreTB.com)**



"I am spreading hope and confidence for a future without TB by exploring opportunities and enhancing cultural awareness to make each patient feel listened, loved, and valued."

— Maggy, New Jersey



We Are TB is currently supported by the National Tuberculosis Controllers Association, [www.TBControllers.org](http://www.TBControllers.org).



# Somos TB- Support Group

## Somos TB

Es una comunidad de apoyo para sobrevivientes de tuberculosis, personas en tratamiento, y familiares con el mismo compromiso de eliminar TB



## Cualquiera puede contraer tuberculosis.

**Somos TB** está aquí para TI. Habla con alguien que te comprenda.

Los voluntarios de **Somos TB** han estado donde estás ahora. Nosotros comprendemos. Estamos aquí para apoyarte durante tu diagnóstico y tratamiento, durante tus luchas, triunfos y miedos.

Durante y más allá de tratamiento los **Miembros de Somos TB** pueden servir como defensores levantando conciencia sobre TB y compartiendo su historia personal para educar y reducir el estigma sobre TB.

"Mi hijo Jackson fue diagnosticado a los 6 meses de edad. El fue diagnosticado después de ser visto una y otra vez por diferentes médicos y múltiples de visitas a la sala de emergencias. Después de 18+ meses de tratamiento Jack ahora es sano y feliz a sus 2 años de edad."  
- Kristine, Texas



"Es importante comprender que el enemigo es la enfermedad y no la persona que es víctima de la enfermedad. Pacientes de TB .... date cuenta que eres fuerte y resistente."  
- Tenzin, Massachusetts

### Hablemos.

Empieza con visitándonos en **WeAreTB.com**, y un voluntario de **Somos TB** se comunicará contigo. También estamos en Facebook, Instagram y en Twitter.



## Haz la Diferencia.

Su historia personal puede ayudar en la lucha en obtener más fondos para el cuidado y los estudios de la tuberculosis. **Somos TB** provee entrenamientos y oportunidades para personas en tratamiento, sobrevivientes de TB, y los familiares, para educar a personas sobre el TB. Nosotros trabajamos con socios en todo los Estados Unidos y en el mundo para eliminar el TB. **Cuenta tu historia y termina con TB.**

## Empodera a los demás. Educa el publico. Elimina el TB.

Estamos listo para enseñarte como.



Abogamos por mejores opciones de diagnóstico y tratamiento. Los voluntarios de **Somos TB** volunteers Hablan con las legisladores/as, atienden conferencias regionales y nacionales, y hablan a través de la prensa para representar a esas personas que son afectadas por estigma e incomprensión de la enfermedad.

**Hay un lugar para ti en Somos TB.** Únete a nosotros o consigue información en

**WeAreTB.com**



"Estoy compartiendo esperanza y confianza para un futuro sin Tb con explorando oportunidades y mejorando conciencia cultural para que cada paciente se sienta escuchada amada y valorada."  
- Maggy, New Jersey



Somos TB es actualmente apoyado por National Tuberculosis Controllers Association, [www.TBControllers.org](http://www.TBControllers.org).



# LTBI Survivor Testimonial





# Outreach at San Fernando Health Center TB Information & Food Distribution – November 7th



**WALK-UP EVENTS - PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN REUSABLE BAG**  
(A CART IS RECOMMENDED FOR EASIER TRANSPORT)

**SAN FERNANDO HEALTH CENTER**  
1212 PICO ST.  
SAN FERNANDO, CA 91340

**SCHEDULE**  
THURSDAYS, 9:30AM - 12:00PM

JULY 11  
SEPTEMBER 5  
NOVEMBER 7

**ZEV YAROSLAVSKY FAMILY  
SUPPORT CENTER**  
7555 VAN NUYS BLVD.  
VAN NUYS, CA 91405

**SCHEDULE**  
THURSDAYS, 9:30AM - 12:00PM

AUGUST 1  
OCTOBER 3  
DECEMBER 5

**UNTIL SUPPLIES  
LAST!**

### Additional Food Resources

**WIC** for Moms, Babies and Kids under 5 Call 1-888-WIC-WORKS or call 2-1-1  
**Cal Fresh** for Individuals or Families Call 1-866-613-3777 or visit GetCalFresh.org

Call 2-1-1 for walk-up food distribution sites

For more information, classes and resources, scan the QR code!

ALL STAFF MUST WAIT UNTIL 11:30 AM TO RECEIVE PRODUCE



### CONTACT US!

For More Info  
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Visit Our Website  
<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/chs/SPA2>





**Department of Public Health TB Control Program  
Coalition to End TB in Los Angeles County  
Revised 2025 Meeting Schedule  
Microsoft Teams 10:00 am-11:30 am  
Save the Dates**

Date	Topic	Location
January 15 <sup>th</sup>	World TB Day Planning	TBD
February 19 <sup>th</sup>	World TB Day Planning	Microsoft Teams
March 19 <sup>th</sup>	No Formal Meeting, World TBD Activities	TBD
April 16 <sup>th</sup>	Wrap Up of WTB Day / Coalition Data for Elimination Plan	Microsoft Teams
May 21 <sup>st</sup>	Southern California Regional Community at Practice	TBD
June 18 <sup>th</sup>	Elimination Plan	Microsoft Teams
July 16 <sup>th</sup>	Southern California Regional Community at Practice	TBD
August 20 <sup>th</sup>	Elimination Plan	Microsoft Teams
September 17 <sup>th</sup>	Southern California Regional Community at Practice	TBD
October 15 <sup>th</sup>	Elimination Plan	Microsoft Teams
November 19 <sup>th</sup>	Southern California Regional Community at Practice	TBD
December 17 <sup>th</sup>	Elimination Plan/World TB Day Planning	Microsoft Teams

**\*Topics are subject to change\***

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# Next Meeting: November 20<sup>th</sup> 10:00 – 11:30 AM via Teams

