IUPUI is implementing a new Tuberculosis (TB) Screening Program for international students in August 2015. This information sheet explains important aspects of this program.

What is TB?

TB is a very common infectious disease worldwide. There are two types of TB:
1. **Latent TB** causes no symptoms and is not contagious. Latent TB can progress to active TB.
2. **Active TB** is deadly, if untreated. Approximately, 9 million persons die annually worldwide. Active TB is also contagious to other people.

Why implement a testing program?

IUPUI is implementing the program to reduce the risk of cases of active TB among the campus community.

Students who are found to have TB have the following options:
1. Students with *latent TB* have the choice of taking medication to reduce the risk of developing active TB.
2. Students with *active TB* must take medication to treat the TB and prevent spreading the disease to others. Any student with active TB will not be allowed to attend classes until he/she is no longer contagious.

How is testing done?

Medical professionals will ask you some questions to help determine what kind of test will work best for you.
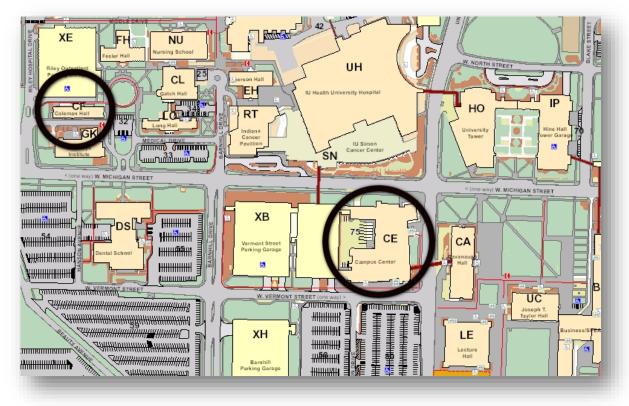
There are two types of screening that may be done:
1. TB Skin testing
2. TB Blood test (TSpot)

*In certain cases, additional testing, such as with a questionnaire or x-ray may be needed.

Where do I go for testing?

Screening will occur once the student arrives to IUPUI; but before October 1, 2015. Students can see IUPUI Student Health in Coleman Hall (CF on campus map) or the Campus Center (CE on campus map) for testing.

Who keeps track?

IUPUI Student Health, a division of IUPUI Campus Health manages this program. Your medical records are kept **_strictly_** **_confidential._**

How much does testing cost?

All international students at IUPUI are required to have health insurance. IUPUI Student Health will bill the insurance company for your testing. If your insurance does not cover the entire cost of the testing, IUPUI Student Health will apply a discount so you do not have to pay out of pocket. Any student who is found to need treatment will be responsible for any treatment fees their insurance plan does not cover.

The IUPUI International Student Health Insurance plan covers many services. Student Health will utilize your insurance benefits and other discounts before billing you. If you are providing your own insurance through another company, you may incur more out of pocket costs than with the IUPUI plan. Learn more about health insurance on the OIA website »

What happens if I don't get tested?

Students are required to complete testing prior to October 1, 2015. If you have not gotten tested, a hold will be placed on your student records preventing you from registering for the spring 2016 semester.

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Who do I contact with questions?

Questions can be directed to IUPUI Student Health at healthsv@iupui.edu.

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