

# The Tuberculosis (TB) Program Area Module (PAM) Project for National Surveillance

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# CDC TB Reporting Software

- **Tuberculosis Information Management System (TIMS)**
- **A client/server-based application**
- **Supports submission of national TB case report (RVCT) via modem to CDC**
- **Near the end of its lifecycle**

# TB PAM Project Goals

- **Develop a disease-specific application of the CDC NEDSS Base System (NBS)**
- **Enable state TB programs to collect RVCT data and submit to CDC via Internet**
- **Support national TB surveillance through NBS functionality**

# TB PAM Project Objectives

- **Meet the reporting needs of the national TB surveillance system**
- **Assist users in a defined and manageable transition from TIMS to NEDSS**
- **Offer a high quality replacement for the legacy TIMS surveillance module**
- **Enable states using their own information systems to report TB surveillance data via PHIN messaging**

# TB PAM Core Features

- **Input RVCT data**
- **Validate RVCT data**
- **Submit RVCT and core “notifiable” data**
- **Obtain on-line help**
- **Migrate existing RVCT data into TB PAM**

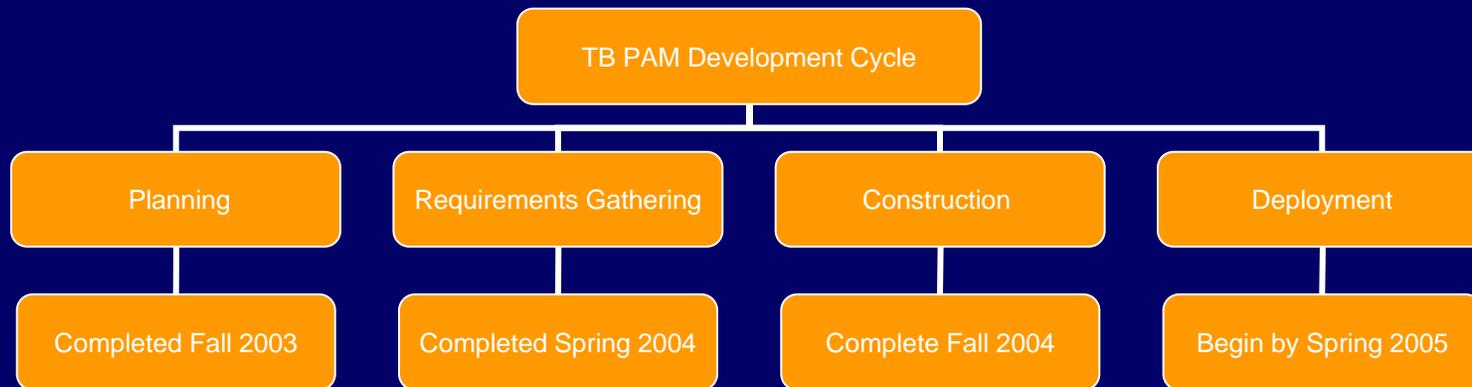
# TB PAM Features Leveraging NBS Functionality

- Create standard and ad hoc reports
- Extract data from the system
- Create and manage locally defined fields
- Collect TB lab results, electronically and via manual data entry
- Update RVCT data from captured lab data
- Administer system security and user access

# **Additional Project Feature: for NBS Compatible Sites**

- **Specifications to submit RVCT data via PHIN-MS**
- **Dependent on NBS release schedule**

# Major Milestones



# Next Steps

- **Construct TB Surveillance Program Area Module**
- **Develop data messaging guide**
- **Report RVCT data via PHIN/NEDSS**
  - Option 1: NBS compatible system**
  - Option 2: TB PAM (currently only an option for NBS states)**