TAKE ON TB

TOO MANY PEOPLE IN THE U.S. STILL SUFFER FROM TUBERCULOSIS (TB)

7,174 TB CASES REPORTED IN THE U.S. IN 2020*

A typical person with TB disease in the United States requires:

PLUS
- X-rays
- Lab tests
- Follow-up & testing of contacts

526 TB Deaths in 2019

180 days of medications

$503 MILLION

Total cost to U.S. for TB cases in 2020

Approximately 20% decrease in the number of TB cases reported in the United States from 2019 to 2020*

*Supplemental analyses are ongoing to examine the causes of the decline in reported TB cases, probably related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

TB CAN HAPPEN ANYWHERE & TO ANYONE
To eliminate TB, we must prioritize groups at increased risk of TB

Compared with White persons, TB case rates (per 100,000 persons) are:

7 out of every 10 TB cases occur among non-U.S.-born persons

7x higher for Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander persons

33x higher for Asian persons

9x higher for Hispanic or Latino persons

8x higher for American Indian or Alaska Native persons

8x higher for Black or African American persons

DRUG-RESISTANT TB IS COMPLEX & COSTLY
Drug-resistance threatens our ability to treat & control TB

TOTAL 2020 CASES

1 Extensively Drug-Resistant TB

55 Multidrug-Resistant TB

7,118 TB (Drug-Susceptible, Not Multidrug-Resistant TB, or Unknown)

DIRECT TREATMENT COST PER CASE

$568,000 Extensively Drug-Resistant TB

$182,000 Multidrug-Resistant TB

$20,000 TB (Drug-Susceptible, Not Multidrug-Resistant TB, or Unknown)

ELIMINATING TB REQUIRES A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH
CDC is committed to fighting TB whenever & wherever it occurs through:

To Vigilant Surveillance

Better Diagnostics & Treatments

Testing & Treatment of Populations at Risk for TB

Engaging Affected Communities and Medical Providers

To learn more about TB, visit: www.cdc.gov/tb

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