# VIRTUAL TRAINING

# Fundamentals of Tuberculosis Contact Investigation



October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2022

10:00 am – 11:30 am PST 11:00 am – 12:30 pm MST

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm CST

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm EST

Cost: There is no fee for this training.

**Course Description:** This training will introduce learners to the fundamental concepts of TB contact investigations. Topics will include transmission and pathogenesis, deciding when to initiate an investigation, determining the start and end of the infectious period, prioritizing contacts, communication skills, and cultural and diversity considerations.

This training will **not** address interviewing skills or techniques.

**Target Audience:** This training is intended for public health nurses and other public health staff who conduct or manage TB contact investigations.

**Training Format:** This hybrid course will include live virtual sessions and self-paced homework. Participants will be enrolled in Canvas which is an online learning management system. Participants are expected to join all live sessions by video and actively participate in the discussion.

**Learning Objectives:** By the end of the training, participants will be better able to:

- Identify components of the systematic approach for conducting TB contact investigations.
- Assess which contacts are at highest risk for TB infection and TB disease and assign priorities.
- Explain the criteria for determining the beginning and end of the infectious period.
- Apply current standards for ensuring the evaluation of contacts for TB infection and disease.

**Course Requirements:** In order to be accepted into this course, participants must be able to complete all the course requirements (attend all 4 live sessions, completed required homework assignments, and submit an evaluation) and adhere to the time commitment. Claiming continuing education credits is contingent on meeting all the requirements.

**Technology**: Participants will be expected to have access to a webcam or mobile device (e.g., tablet, smartphone), to turn on their video during the live sessions. A stable internet connection with access to external websites (not blocked by firewalls) is required.

Canvas: All participants will be expected to access the course content through the learning management system Canvas. After being accepted into the course, participants will receive further details on how to access the learning management system. Please note, participants may need to use a desktop computer or laptop to access Canvas rather than a tablet, iPad, or other mobile device. If you have any questions about connectivity or audio, please contact <a href="mailto:edgar.salinas@uthct.edu">edgar.salinas@uthct.edu</a> or <a href="mailto:delphina.sanchez@uthct.edu">delphina.sanchez@uthct.edu</a>

**Registration:** There is no charge to attend this virtual training, but registration is mandatory. Space is limited to **25** participants. Applicants will be reviewed on a first come first serve basis. Applications will close when maximum capacity is reached. Notification of acceptance and additional course information will be sent via email. The deadline to apply is **September 2, 2022**. Please click here to apply.

# **Continuing Education Information:**



In support of improving patient care, this activity has been planned and implemented by Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences, and New Jersey Department of Health. Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education

(ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

**CNE:** This activity is awarded **9.5** contact hours. Nurses should only claim those contact hours spent participating in the activity.

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