# TUBERCULOSIS CLEARANCE Instructions for Employees Without Paid Medical Benefits

Please follow the instructions below, and the cost for your TB assessment and if necessary, testing and examination will be covered by SDCCD. The six (6) Sharp Rees-Stealy Occupational Medicine Center locations listed on page 3 will invoice San Diego Community College District for the cost and you will not be required to pay.

#### Important Note

#### Any cost related to active Tuberculosis treatment or other related costs will not be covered by SDCCD.

**<u>Step 1</u>** – Complete and sign all required forms listed below. All forms are printable and are in PDF fillable format that can be completed and signed electronically. For questions on these forms please see the quick Guide on page 2.

- "California School Employee Tuberculosis Risk Assessment Questionnaire" page 4.
- "Certificate of Completion TB Risk Assessment and/or Examination" page 5, to be completed by Sharp.
- "Authorization for use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information" pages 6-7.
- "Health Questionnaire Patient Registration" page 8.

<u>Step 2</u> – Select one of the three available methods to begin the TB assessment process. If you don't hear back from Sharp within the specified timeframe, please contact them directly for an update on your assessment. Method 1 – Email

- Email all forms in Step 1 to your preferred Sharp Occupational Medicine Center listed on page 3.
- Sharp will contact you within 2-4 workdays with one of the two following scenarios.
  - If <u>No</u> risk factors are identified, you will be returned a completed and signed "Tuberculosis Risk Assessment and/or Examination Certificate of Completion" via a secured email. Sharp will email you instructions to access the secure email and its contents.
  - If risk factors are identified, then you will be contacted via phone call or email by a Sharp representative to schedule an appointment for a TB test and if necessary, a TB exam. If you are determined to be free of infectious tuberculosis you will be returned a completed and signed "Tuberculosis Risk Assessment and/or Examination Certificate of Completion".

#### Method 2 – Mail

- Mail all forms in Step 1 to your preferred Sharp Occupational Medicine Center listed on page 3.
- Sharp will contact you within 2-7 workdays with one of the two following scenarios.
  - If <u>No</u> risk factors are identified, you will be returned a completed and signed "Tuberculosis Risk Assessment and/or Examination Certificate of Completion".
  - If risk factors are identified, then you will be contacted via mail or phone call by a Sharp representative to schedule an appointment for a TB test and if necessary, a TB exam. If you are determined to be free of infectious tuberculosis you will be returned a completed and signed "Tuberculosis Risk Assessment and/or Examination Certificate of Completion".

#### Method 3 - In Person

- Contact your preferred Sharp Occupational Medicine Center listed on page 3 to determine the best time for a TB assessment.
- At your TB assessment, provide all the forms from Step 1.
- Once assessed, one of the two following scenarios will occur.
  - If <u>No</u> risk factors are identified, you will be returned a completed and signed "Tuberculosis Risk Assessment and/or Examination Certificate of Completion".
  - If risk factors are identified, then you will receive instructions on completing a TB test and if necessary, a TB exam. If you are determined to be free of infectious tuberculosis you will be returned a completed and signed "Tuberculosis Risk Assessment and/or Examination Certificate of Completion".
- **Step 3** Submit the completed and signed "TB Assessment Certificate of Completion" to SDCCD HR.
  - Email, mail or drop off in person a copy of the Certificate of Completion to SDCCD HR Department.

San Diego Community College District 3375 Camino del Rio South, #330 San Diego CA, 92108 Attn: Human Resources – Employment, TB Clearance

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# Quick Guide

# **Completing the TB Assessment and Sharp Rees-Stealy Forms**

- 1. California School Employee Tuberculosis Risk Assessment Questionnaire
  - This form is straight forward, enter name, current date, and date of birth. Only check off the boxes that apply.
- 2. Certificate of Completion TB Risk Assessment and/or Examination
  - This form stays blank, it will be completed and signed by a Sharp healthcare provider. Make sure it is included with all the forms you will provide to Sharp.
- 3. Authorization for use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information
  - The majority of this from is straight forward with only a few things to point out. Don't forget to sign at the bottom.
  - Page 1
    - No medical record number is required.
  - Page 2
    - #2, Dates of service are 1 year from current date e.g. "From 1/15/21 To 1/15/22"
    - #3, Initial "Other" for TB Questionnaire
    - #4, Initial "Other" for Employment
    - #6, leave blank.
- 4. Health Questionnaire Patient Registration
  - This form is straight forward, just make sure to sign at the bottom.

# **Occupational Medicine Centers**

#### **SHARP** Rees-Stealy Medical Centers



## CHULA VISTA

525 Third Ave. Chula Vista, CA 91910 Phone: 619-585-4050 Fax: 619-585-4054 Supervisor: Debbie Flores Hours: Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Email forms to: ChulaVista.OccupationalMedicine@sharp.com



#### LA MESA

5525 Grossmont Center Dr. La Mesa, CA 91942 Phone: 619-644-6600 Fax: 619-644-6642 Supervisor: Susan Horton Hours: Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

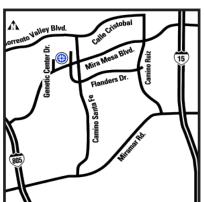
Email forms to: LaMesa.OccupationalMedicine@sharp.com



**Email forms to:** 

#### GENESEE

2020 Genesee Ave. San Diego, CA 92123 **Phone:** 858-616-8400 **Fax:** 858-616-8420 **Supervisor:** Cathy Simmerman **Hours:** Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



#### SORRENTO MESA

10243 Genetic Center Dr. San Diego, CA 92121 Phone: 858-526-6150 Fax: 858-526-6153 Supervisor: Michelle Radagio-Guzman Hours: Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Email forms to: SorrentoMesa.OccupationalMedicine@sharp.com



### DOWNTOWN

300 Fir Street San Diego, CA 92101 Phone: 619-446-1524 Fax: 619-234-9160 Supervisor: Charleena Days Hours: Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Email forms to: Downtown.OccupationalMedicine@sharp.com

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#### RANCHO BERNARDO

16899 West Bernardo Dr. San Diego, CA 92127 Phone: 858-521-2350 Fax: 858-521-2354 Supervisor: Jacqueline Hollins Hours: Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Email forms to: RanchoBernardo.OccupationalMedicine@sharp.com



# California School Employee Tuberculosis (TB)



- Use of this questionnaire is required by California Education Code sections 49406 and 87408.6, and Health and Safety Code sections 1597.055 and 121525-121555.<sup>^</sup>
- The purpose of this tool is to identify <u>adults</u> with infectious tuberculosis (TB) to prevent them from spreading disease.
- Do not repeat testing unless there are <u>new risk factors since the last negative test</u>.
- **Do not treat for latent TB infection (LTBI) until active TB disease has been excluded**: For individuals with signs or symptoms of TB disease or abnormal chest x-ray consistent with TB disease, evaluate for active TB disease with a chest x-ray, symptom screen, and if indicated, sputum AFB smears, cultures and nucleic acid amplification testing. A negative tuberculin skin test (TST) or interferon gamma release assay (IGRA) does not rule out active TB disease.

#### Name of Person Assessed for TB Risk Factors: \_\_\_\_\_

Assessment Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

#### History of Tuberculosis Disease or Infection (Check appropriate box below)

Yes

• If there is a <u>documented</u> history of positive TB test or TB disease, then a symptom review and chest x-ray (if none performed in the previous 6 months) should be performed at initial hire by a physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner. If the x-ray does not have evidence of TB, the person is no longer required to submit to a TB risk assessment or repeat chest x-rays.

No (Assess for Risk Factors for Tuberculosis using box below)

#### TB testing is recommended if any of the 3 boxes below are checked

One or more sign(s) or symptom(s) of TB disease

• TB symptoms include prolonged cough, coughing up blood, fever, night sweats, weight loss, or excessive fatigue.

**Birth**, travel, or residence in a country with an elevated TB rate for at least 1 month

• Includes countries other than the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, or Western and North European countries.

Interferon gamma release assay (IGRA) is preferred over tuberculin skin test (TST) for non-US-born persons.

**Close contact** to someone with infectious TB disease during lifetime

Treat for LTBI if TB test result is positive and active TB disease is ruled out

<sup>^</sup>The law requires that a health care provider administer this questionnaire. A health care provider, as defined for this purpose, is any organization, facility, institution or person licensed, certified or otherwise authorized or permitted by state law to deliver or furnish health services. A Certificate of Completion should be completed after screening is completed (page 3).





# Certificate of Completion Tuberculosis Risk Assessment and/or Examination

To satisfy **job-related requirements** in the California Education Code, Sections 49406 and 87408.6 and the California Health and Safety Code, Sections 1597.055, 121525, 121545 and 121555.

First and Last Name of the person assessed and/or examined:

Date of assessment and/or examination: \_\_\_\_\_mo./\_\_\_\_day/\_\_\_\_yr.

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_mo./\_\_\_\_day/\_\_\_\_yr.

The above named patient has submitted to a tuberculosis risk assessment. The patient does not have risk factors, or if tuberculosis risk factors were identified, the patient has been examined and determined to be free of infectious tuberculosis.

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Signature of Health Care Provider completing the risk assessment and/or examination

Please print, place label or stamp with Health Care Provider Name and Address (include Number, Street, City, State, and Zip Code):



Health Questionnaire Patient Registration

#### PLEASE COMPLETE ALL FIELDS

Last Name:						
First Name:						
Social Security Number or L	ast 4 digits:					
	e of Birth: Gender: 🗆 Male 🗆 Female					
Marital Status:						
Primary Language:						
Home Mailing Address:						
City:	State:	Zip Code				
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:					
Work Phone:	Country of Birth:					
Employer:						
City:	State	Zip Code				
Signature:	Date					

# AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OR DISCLOSURE OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION

Patient Name:
Date of Birth:
Medical Record Number:

#### Please read carefully and complete the reverse side of this form. All sections of this authorization must be completely filled out before Sharp is permitted to disclose your protected health information.

**EXPLANATION**: This form authorizes the use or disclosure of protected health information in the manner described below and is voluntary. Sharp HealthCare will still provide medical treatment for you if you do not sign this authorization, except under limited circumstances that are described in our Notice of Privacy Practices. Please be aware that once your information leaves Sharp HealthCare, Sharp HealthCare will no longer be able to protect that information, and the recipients of your information may not be legally required to protect your information.

**NOTICE TO OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE PATIENTS:** California law allows your employer to access your health records only if you authorize the disclosure in writing, or for certain specific reasons. Some of the reasons include situations when your employer is required to do so by law; when you're involved in a lawsuit (or similar process) with your employer and your medical history is at issue; when the information requested was requested or paid for by your employer; when the information is required to evaluate your need for medical leave or disability related benefits; or when it is necessary to administer your employee benefits plan. If you have questions or concerns about whether any of the above situations apply to you, please notify your provider before beginning any procedure and consider notifying your employer.

### **AUTHORIZATION TO DISCLOSE SPECIFIC PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION:**

Federal and State laws require us to obtain specific authorization from patients to release especially sensitive information. Sensitive information is defined as treatment or documentation related to HIV and AIDS test results; Psychiatric care, and Treatment for Alcohol or Drug Abuse. Be aware that we will automatically try to exclude these types of information unless you specifically identify them for release.

**RESTRICTIONS:** I understand that Sharp HealthCare may not further use or disclose the information described on the reverse side of this form unless another authorization is obtained from me or unless such use or disclosure is specifically required or permitted by law. I hereby release Sharp HealthCare from any/all liability that may arise from the release of this information to the party named on the reverse side of this form.

**ADDITIONAL COPY:** I further understand that I have a right to receive a copy of this authorization upon my request.

**DURATION:** I understand that I may revoke this authorization in writing at any time (see the Sharp HealthCare Notice of Privacy Practices for instructions), except to the extent that action has already been taken. Unless otherwise noted, this authorization will expire <u>one year</u> from the date of my signature.

**<u>CHARGES</u>**: If your health information is being released directly to you, you may be responsible for payment of a reasonable, cost based processing fee. The fee covers clerical costs as well as any/ all costs associated with copying of the information.

Please complete the reverse side of this form



1. Authorization: I authorize disclosure of medical information and health records as described below:

	Patient Name:				
	Date of Birth://				
	Record Holder's Name:				
	Address:				
	Records Released To:				
	Address:	City:	State:	Zip:	
2.	Information to be Released for the	se Dates of Servic	e: From	To	
3.	Information to Release: Place your initials next to each category of information we will be releasing.				
	HIV Test Results (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) Psychiatric Records   Treatment for Alcohol and/or Drug Abuse Billing Information   Operative/Procedure Reports Discharge Summary   Radiology/Nuclear Medicine Reports Progress Notes   Emergency Department Reports Laboratory Tests   Consultation Reports History/Physical Exam   Infection Control/Clinical Information Open Medical Record   Still or Video Images and Sound Prepared for (Sharp/Non-Sharp) Marketing Purposes   Other (Please Specify): TB Questionnaire   I would like an electronic copy (e.g., compact disk) of the above indicated information (includ diagnostic test results, problem list, medication lists, medication allergies, discharge summary a procedures, if available.)				
4.	<b>Use of Information:</b> The individual or entity identified above is permitted to use my information for the following purposes: Please <u>initial</u> all that apply.				
	Continuing Medical Care Print Marketing or Educationa Audio/Visual Marketing or Ed Other (please specify): Em	lucation Media	Second Opinion Personal	Insurance	
5.	Signature:				
	Printed Name:				
	Signature: Date/Time:				
	If signed by other than patient, indicate relationship to patient:				
	Witness Signature: Date/Time: Date/Time:		e:		
	Attending Physician (Required for Behavioral Health): Date/Time:				
6.	Mailing Instructions: Please mai	l <u>both</u> <u>sides</u> of this	s authorization form to:		

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