

**4658.0815 EMPLOYEE TUBERCULOSIS PROGRAM.**

Subpart 1. **Responsibility of nursing home.** A nursing home must ensure that all employees, prior to employment and as otherwise indicated in this part, show freedom from active tuberculosis according to this part. A nursing home must establish a tuberculosis counseling, screening, and prevention program for all employees, in accordance with Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR), October 28, 1994, Vol. 43, No. RR-13; section II.J. of the "Guidelines for Preventing the Transmission of Mycobacterium Tuberculosis in Health-Care Facilities, 1994," issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This guideline is incorporated by reference. It is available through the Minitex interlibrary loan system. It is not subject to frequent change.

Subp. 2. **Tuberculin test.** All employees, unless certified in writing by a physician to have had a positive reaction or other medical contraindication to a standard intradermal tuberculin test, must have an intradermal tuberculin test with purified protein derivative (Mantoux) within three months prior to employment.

Subp. 3. **Written documentation of compliance.** Reports or copies of reports of the tuberculin test or chest X-ray must be maintained by the nursing home.

Subp. 4. **Evaluation of symptoms.** All employees exhibiting symptoms consistent with tuberculosis must be evaluated within 72 hours.

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