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## **TUBERCULOSIS TESTING INFORMATION**

## **REQUIREMENT:**

Education Code 49406 requires that public school employees be free of infectious tuberculosis (TB). There are two ways to meet this requirement:

- 1. TB Risk Assessment Questionnaire with resulting "Certificate of Completion", completed by a licensed health care provider.
- 2. TB examination via skin test, blood test, or chest x-ray. Results provided by a licensed health care provider.

## **All Substitutes**

All countywide substitutes must provide the required documentation with their registration packet or upon expiration every four years. Freedom of infectious tuberculosis through a previous employing school district is acceptable. (Education Code § 49406 and Health and Safety Code § 121525)

## **Resources:**

The Risk Assessment Questionnaire or TB examination can be completed by any licensed health care provider, including a personal doctor or County Health Clinic.

- If you have health insurance, contact your healthcare provider to complete the TB questionnaire, a TB skin test, or a chest x-ray (physicians recommend this in special cases). For new countywide substitutes, include your clearance in your substitute registration packet. For countywide substitutes submitting updated TB clearance, mail, fax, or personally deliver the results to the Credentials Analyst.
- If you do not have health insurance, you can visit the Immunization Clinic (information provided below). Please note: if you have health care coverage, you may be billed for an office visit.

Marin Community Clinic – San Rafael Campus Address: 3260 Kerner Blvd., San Rafael, CA 94901 Hours: Tuesday & Friday 1:30p.m. – 4:30p.m.

Phone: (415) 448-1500

Website: www.marinclinic.org

TB skin testing is offered on a drop-in basis and requires two visits: Cost - \$30.00.

- 1. First visit for the TB skin test
- 2. Second visit for the results of the TB skin test (about 2-3 days after first visit)

If you have had a positive TB skin test reading in the past, you will not be given a TB skin test through the Immunization Clinic. You must visit the Clinic to obtain a chest x-ray referral during the designated drop-in times.

Chest X-Ray Referral: Cost - \$27.00 for uninsured; insured individuals will be processed by MCC, but must have their insurance for their chest x-ray.