

Latent Tuberculosis Infection

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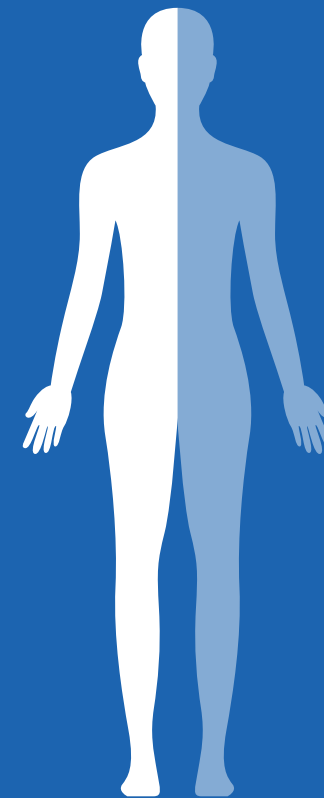
13 MILLION
people in the US¹

LATENT TUBERCULOSIS (TB) BY-THE-NUMBERS

Without treatment,
5 to 10% of infected
persons will develop
TB. Among those
5 to 10%,

HALF

will develop TB
within first 2 years
of infection onset.²

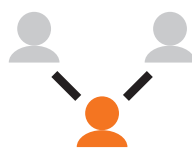


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People who live or work somewhere in the United States where TB disease is more common (homeless shelters, prison or jails, or some nursing homes)

People from a country where TB disease is common (most countries in Latin America, the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, and Russia)

The CDC recommends that certain people should be tested for TB bacteria because they are more likely to get TB disease, including:³



People with HIV infection or another medical problem that weakens the immune system

People who have symptoms of TB disease (fever, night sweats, cough, and weight loss)

People who have spent time with someone who has TB disease

People who use illegal drugs

TB tests are generally not needed for people with a low risk of infection with TB bacteria.

WHO SHOULD
GET TESTED FOR
TUBERCULOSIS (TB)