

How do I make an appointment ?



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**If there is no answer please leave
your name and telephone**

number and we will ring you back

My appointment is

Date

Time.....

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Help us get it right

If you have a complaint, concern, comment or compliment please let us know by speaking to a member of our staff. We learn from your feedback and use the information to improve and develop our service.

If you would like to talk to someone outside the service contact the Patient Experience Team on 01423 555499 Monday to Friday 9.30am to 4pm or e mail thepatientexperienceteam@hdft.nhs.uk

If you require this information in an alternative language or format (such as Braille, audiotape or large print), please contact us.

Further information

For more information about TB, visit the TB alert website at www.tbalert.org



Or NHS Choices at www.nhs.uk/conditions/tuberculosis

You matter most

New Entrant Tuberculosis (TB) Screening Service



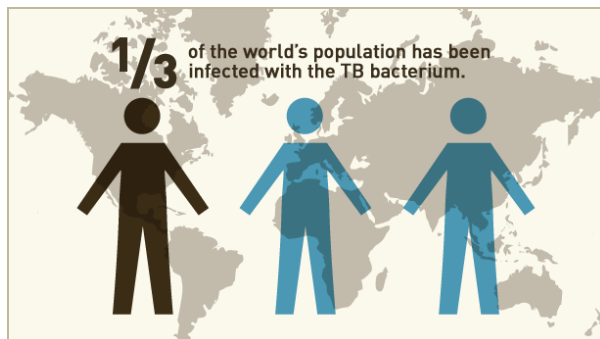
**The TB and New Entrant
Assessment Nursing Service
covering York and North
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FACT : In the world today

Almost 9 million people are diagnosed with active TB every year.

2 billion people (1 third) have latent TB infection (LTBI).



The screening is for active TB and latent TB (LTBI) but what is the difference?



What is active TB?

- A bacterial disease when TB germs have been breathed in and are active anywhere in the body.
- It can be passed to others.
- It can make you feel unwell e.g. cough, night sweats, weight loss.
- It can show up on an x-ray.
- It will need treatment to be cured.



What is latent TB infection (LTBI)?

- When TB germs have been breathed in but are sleeping in the body.
- It is not infectious to others.
- It does not make you feel unwell.
- It does not show up on an x-ray.
- LTBI **CAN** wake up at any time to become active TB.

It is important that you attend for this test even if you have had a chest x-ray as part of screening before arriving in the UK, and are feeling well.

The screening and any treatment are free.

Why have I been offered new entrant TB screening?

We understand you/your family have arrived in UK within the last 5 years and have spent time in a country with a high rate of TB.

How will the TB screening test be done?

Adults: Depending on your age you may be offered the following,

- A simple skin test.
- A simple blood test for TB.
- A chest x-ray.

(if you are pregnant it is still **SAFE** for you to have the test)

Children:

A simple skin test

(2 appointments, 1 for the test and 1 to check the test).