

Understanding Tuberculosis (TB) Laboratory Testing for Public Health Nurses

Free Training Course



The Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL) is excited to announce a newly developed course, Understanding Tuberculosis Laboratory Testing for Public Health Nurses, now available on our website.



This course will help participants better understand TB laboratory testing workflow, testing methods, and associated results. Being familiar with this information will aid effective and timely communication with the patient, clinician, and testing laboratory.

AUDIENCE

This course has been designed and developed for public health nurses who collect specimens for TB testing and are responsible for reported TB laboratory results. The course may also be helpful to clinicians and other providers/submitters.

OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of the course, the participant will be able to:

- Summarize the importance of proper specimen collection, transport, and processing
- Understand a general TB testing workflow and test methods performed
- Define key terms for understanding test requests for TB testing
- Recall the expected turnaround time for TB laboratory results for specific tests and the language included on reports

Access the course [here](https://www.aphl.org/programs/infectious_disease/tuberculosis/Understanding_TB_Lab_Test_Nurses/story.html) or at:

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This course is temporarily available on the APHL website. Once the course has been added to the APHL Training Portal, continuing education credit will be available for completing the course.

APHL is approved as a provider of continuing education programs in the clinical laboratory sciences by the ASCLS P.A.C.E.® Program.

For more information about this course, please email erin.estes@aphl.org

Modules are complemented by references and resources. Developed by APHL in collaboration with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).