

Regional TB Coalition

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- 16 Counties
- Four contractors
- Five local health departments provide services without receiving any contracted money from the State
- Three Regional Clinics provide services with contracted physicians and clinic nurses

Regional Challenges

- Lack of Resources
- Lack of collaboration
- Standard of care is not followed consistently
- Lack of qualified staff
- Inconsistency in reporting system

Coalition's Objectives

- Identify and implement best practices in TB Elimination Services: Cost-effective and efficient
- Identify regional challenges and develop realistic solutions
- Involve private providers in developing regional TB Elimination Plan
- Develop resources in the region for the provision of effective TB Elimination services region wide
- Increase research activities related to TB in the region

Teams

- Standard of Care
- Staff Development
- TB Registry
- Resource Development

Suggested Objective of SOC

- Develop realistic guidelines and standards of care for all TB patients and contacts
- Develop guidelines and standard of care for case management in public health clinics, local hospitals, prison system and other private sector settings
- Assist state and local TB programs to conduct systematic and comprehensive reviews of outcome of treating patients with active TB disease

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- Promote DOT by providing education, incentives and enablers to ensure the completion of TB treatment
- Enhance the capacity of state and local TB control programs to conduct investigation, and ensure that infected contacts/individuals complete TB treatment

Future

- Enhance coalition activities
- Strengthen partnership
- Enhance work force
- Model for other regions

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