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Tuberculosis (TB) INDEX PaTIENT INTERVIEW OUTLINE

1. **Introduction** 
   1. Assess if interpreter needed
   2. Introduce self
   3. Provide identification
   4. Explain role in TB control
   5. Explain purpose of interview
   6. Ensure confidentiality

# Information and Education Exchange

# Observe patient’s physical and mental state and evaluate communication skills

# Collect and confirm the following information:

* Name
* Alias(es)/nickname(s)
* Date of birth
* Address
* Telephone numbers (cell, home, other)
* Emergency contact
* Physical description
* Other locating information
* Known exposure to TB
* Recent hospitalization(s) for TB
* Medical provider for TB
* Other medical conditions, specific providers
* Outpatient/DOT plan
* Potential barriers to adherence
* Transportation availability
* Language or other cultural need

1. Assess disease comprehension/provide TB education
2. Obtain/confirm TB symptom history
3. Discuss basis of patient’s current diagnosis
4. Discuss disease intervention behaviors

(treatment/infection control/medical appointments)

1. Refine infectious period/review significance with patient
2. Assess for barriers to treatment adherence (consider use of incentives/enablers)

# Contact Identification

# Focus on infectious period

# Reinforce confidentiality

# Explain close vs. casual exposure, high risk and high/medium priority contacts

# Stress importance of identification of all high/medium priority contacts

# Collect information on patient’s contacts in the household/residence, workplace, school, other congregate settings, social/recreational environments during the infectious period including:

* Name
* Alias(es)/nickname(s)
* Age/race/sex
* Address/telephone number
* Other locating information
* Physical description
* Hours of exposure per week
* Dates of first and last exposure

# Discuss site visits and sharing information on a need to know basis/reinforce confidentiality

# Discuss patient vs. health department referrals

# Conclusion

# Request/answer patient’s questions, when possible address concerns

# Review/reinforce adherence plan, including DOT and regular medical visits

# Restate next appointment (if known)

# Arrange re-interview and home visit (if not already completed)

# Leave your name and telephone number

# Reinforce confidentiality, thank patient and close interview