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Date: November 6, 2023 **Administrative Circular: 2023: 29**

Attn: Medical Health Officers and Branch Offices
Public Health Nursing Administrators and Assistant Administrators
Holders of Communicable Disease Control Manuals

Re: **Update to the Communicable Disease Control Manual –
Chapter 4: Tuberculosis (TB)**

CDC Manual-Chapter 4: Tuberculosis

Section 2: Definitions

Removed the following definitions: First Nations, Inuk/Inuit and Métis.

Revised the following definitions:

- Indigenous Peoples – Updated to improve cultural safety. Indigenous terminology has evolved over time and will continue to evolve. Definition reflects legal terms and emphasizes First Nations, Inuk/Inuit and Métis as three distinct peoples.
- Cultural Safety – Updated to include additional resources.

Please remove: Section 2, dated October 2023.

Please replace with: Section 2, dated November 2023.

Section 3: Tuberculosis

Revised Table 3-2 to align with terminology used in Table 2 of section 4(b): TB Screening DST.

Please remove: Section 3, page 6, dated October 2023.

Please replace with: Section 3, page 6, dated November 2023.

Section 4(b): TB Screening DST

Revised Table 1 to correct footnote formatting, no clinical changes.

Revised Table 6 to correct footnote formatting. Assigned correct footnote to “People living with HIV (PLWH)” to indicate that PA and lateral views are required for chest x-rays.

Revised date stamps: Pages 12, 14, 19, 20 – 33 had September 2023 date stamp.

Please remove: Section 4(b), dated September and October 2023.

Please replace with: Section 4(b), dated October 2023 throughout.

If you have questions about this manual update, please contact TB Services Provincial Nurse Educators, Maria MacDougall, RN(c), MSc(A)N, BSc (maria.macdougall@bccdc.ca) and Jessica Harper, RN, BScN (jessica.harper2@bccdc.ca).

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Sincerely,



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