

POLICY AND PROCEDURE

TB/HIV/AIDS/HEPATITIS B and C PROGRAM

ADD007

Tuberculosis:

Client testing for TB

Bullhook Community Health Center, Inc. shall include on the social/medical history data collection as to the last PPD testing that client had received. At the time of evaluation, he/she will be made aware to the local public health facility, Bullhook or other local providers that provide PPD testing and a referral will be made at the request of the client. If the patient tests positive, Center for Disease Control (CDC) Program Guidelines will be followed and a referral will be made to a provider for diagnosis and for medication and future testing protocols.

Staff testing for TB

All staff involved with direct patient care at Bullhook Community Health Center, Inc. are required to have a 2 step PPD test within 7 days of employment, in accordance to the current State DPHHS and CDC guidelines; or provide proof of a previous test within the year and this shall be recorded in their personnel records. Any employee who tests positive for TB shall be referred to a provider for further testing and diagnosis. An annual review by the Chief Medical Officer will determine employees who are at high risk to being exposed to TB patients.

Hepatitis B and C:

Client testing for Hepatitis B and C

Bullhook Community Health Center, Inc. shall include on the social/medical history data collection as to the last Hepatitis B and C testing that client had received. At the time of evaluation, he/she will be made aware of the local resources, including Bullhook providers that can provide testing.

For clients whose test results are positive for Hepatitis B and C: licensed addiction counselors will:

- provide psychological support, refer the client for additional counseling (if needed), or both
- ensure that the client knows where and how to obtain more information and services
- refer the client for medical evaluation, care, and treatment (including screening or care for sexually transmitted diseases, vaccination or treatment for viral hepatitis, and referrals to reproductive health services)

Client HIV policies and policies related to IV drug users.
HIV/AIDS

All HIV/AIDS diagnosed individuals are a priority population for substance related disorders treatment and are to be assessed within 48 hours of a request for services.

All HIV/AIDS diagnosed individuals, or those whose IV Drug usage and/or Sexual behavior is considered to be at high risk, shall be referred to their physician, community health clinic or hospital for medical services, including counseling services. These services shall be performed outside the program at Bullhook Community Health Center, Inc.

For clients whose test results are positive for HIV/AIDS, licensed addiction counselors will:

- provide psychological support, refer the client for additional counseling (if needed), or both
- ensure that the client knows where and how to obtain more information and services
- refer the client for medical evaluation, care, and treatment (including screening or care for sexually transmitted diseases, vaccination or treatment for viral hepatitis, and referrals to reproductive health services)

All TB/HIV/AIDS/HEPATITIS B and C diagnosed individuals are a priority population for substance related disorders and will be assessed within 48 hours after the individual seeks treatment and the client will be provided treatment within 5 working days of diagnosis or, when supported by the most current revised edition of the American Society of Addiction Medicine, Patient Placement Criteria, a referral to a higher level of care will be made.


 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Date: 11-12-18


 CHAIR, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Date: 11-12-18

Date first adopted	04/10/2012
Date Revised/QI Board approval	04/10/2012, 09/30/2015, 10/30/2018
New date adopted/Board of Directors approval	04/25/2012, 10/12/2015, 11/12/2018