

TUBERCULOSIS (TB) TESTING PROCEDURE

All appropriate clients/patients will receive a Mantoux skin test through the Linn County Department of Health or provide written documentation of testing through an appropriate Health Facility/Physician.

Testing will be done at Linn County Department of Health on the Monday and/or Friday following admission of a clients/patient. Clients/Patients will be examined between 48 and 72 hours after being tested by the Linn County Department of Health or individuals trained by the Linn County Department of Health.

Persons with positive skin tests or TB-like symptoms, regardless of skin test results, will be referred to a Health Facility/Physician for TB evaluation and appropriate services.

ASAC's Medical Director will provide additional medical services as requested by a Health Facility/Physician.

Clients/Patients:

1. All clients/patients admitted to residential, halfway house, and high-risk outpatient clients/patients shall have a TB skin test administered and read within five (5) days of admission.

If the client/patient has documentation of a negative TB skin test within the previous 90 days, the TB test may be accepted if the client/patient does not show any symptoms. If the client/patient has tested positive in the past, documentation of their medical status and treatment must be received by ASAC. If the client/patient has unexplained symptoms or a history of positive TB skin tests, the Health Facility/Physician shall determine what tests are needed.

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