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Dear Colleague:

We are honored and very pleased that the Southeastern National Tuberculosis Center has been selected once again by the CDC to continue serving the southeast region of the United States as the regional training and medical consultation center. We are excited to be able to continue to work with our partner states throughout the southeast and assist our friends and colleagues as we labor towards TB elimination.

As you have certainly heard by now the existing four centers have been joined by a fifth center, The Mayo Clinic Center for Tuberculosis. We welcome our new colleagues and friends to the TB community. The addition of a fifth center has led to some changes in our designated partner states. Arkansas and Louisiana are now part of the Heartland Region and we welcome West Virginia to the southeast region. We have greatly enjoyed working with our westernmost states over the years and we have benefitted greatly from their insight, expertise, and more recently hospitality in hosting the 2012 Southeastern TB Controllers meeting in Little Rock. We will miss working with you as closely as we have in the past.

As we inch ever closer to the goal of TB elimination, we recognize that our partner states are dealing with unprecedented challenges not only in achieving the goal of TB elimination but in many cases preserving the very TB programs that have produced great improvements in public health. It is our goal to do everything we can to help our partners overcome those challenges to continuing to reduce TB incidence. Be it developing trainings specific to local problems, assisting with exceptionally challenging cases in the face of a reduced workforce, or making more of our resources accessible through webinars, we are committed to working with our partners to achieve our ambitious goals of eliminating TB. Thanks again for the privilege of allowing us to work with you over the last eight years. We look forward to playing a part in your success over the next five years.

All the best,
Michael Lauzardo, MD MSc

SNTC Breakout Session
Tuesday afternoon in
Maplewood B.

SNTC Product Highlight: You Can Prevent Tuberculosis DVD and Patient Educational Handout

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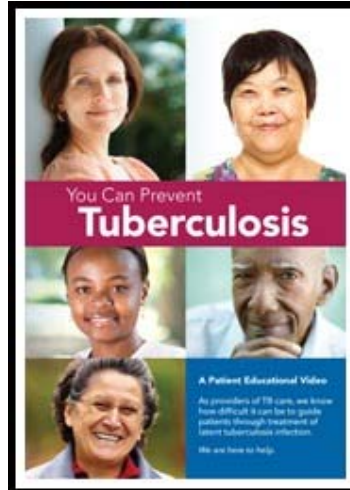
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[You Can Prevent Tuberculosis DVD](#)

In this DVD, Dr. Caralee Caplan-Shaw and her patients clarify the risks of untreated latent TB infection and motivate your patients to complete treatment. This DVD is available in English and Spanish.



[You Can Prevent Tuberculosis: A Patient Educational Handout](#)

This handout accompanies the DVD and describes the main characteristics of LTBI and Active TB, as well as their differences. The handout is available in English and Spanish.

We will have copies of both products at the SNTC booth at NTCA!

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Upcoming Training Events

June 25 - 26, 2013, North Carolina

TB/RD Institute: Detours on the Road to TB Elimination

The purpose of this regional 2-day training is to provide continuing education to TB health care professionals in the form of current diagnostic, management and research concepts as presented by local and regional experts.

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June 26, 2013

A Practical Approach to Using IGRA in Diagnosing TB

[Webinar](#)

June 26, 2013, Alabama

Tuberculin Skin Test Train-the-Trainer Course

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October 7-10, 2013, Florida

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October, 11, 2013, Florida

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