

UW Medicine

NORTHWEST HOSPITAL & MEDICAL CENTER

PPD TESTING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MEDICAL STAFF AND REGISTERED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

The CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Preventions) and ACIP (Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices) have provided guidelines on PPD testing for medical care providers. At the time of initial credentialing and recredentialing, providers are asked to respond to the following questions regarding their individual PPD testing status. **This is mandatory for medical staff membership.**

_____ I have had a negative PPD within the last 24 months.

_____ My PPD is positive (no further PPD testing can be performed).

Physicians whose PPD is known positive at initial credentialing or whose PPD status has converted from negative to positive during their recredentialing period, must provide evidence of a negative chest x-ray interpretation or evidence of a positive chest x-ray must be accompanied by a record of medical evaluation indicating the individual is appropriately treated or not infectious. (Please attach).

Physicians that have been continuously credentialed at NWH, who have a history of a positive PPD or history of active TB and are now free of symptoms consistent with TB, do not need to submit or resubmit a copy of a written chest x-ray interpretation. The one-time written attestation of an x-ray free of any evidence of TB or appropriate treatment assuring they are non-infectious is acceptable.

Please refer questions to Northwest Hospital Epidemiologist, Gary Preston, Ph.D. at (206) 368-1820 or Patty Beard, Medical Staff Services at (206) 368-1812.

PPD testing will be provided for you at no cost through the Northwest Hospital Employee Health Office located in the Medical Office Building, Ste. 106. Please call (206) 368-1820 for office hours.

Provider Signature

Date: _____

Please return this document with application to:

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Medical Staff Office
1550 N. 115th St D-149
Seattle, WA 98133