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## Purpose

Provide consistent and timely investigation of suspected Latent Infection and Active Tuberculosis (TB) Disease, followed by applicable case management.



## Policy

The Health Department will ensure that case-finding, diagnosis and treatment of suspect or confirmed latent or active TB disease are carried out according to protocols established by the Appleton Health Department, which include protocols established by the Centers for Disease Control and the State of Wisconsin TB Program, to protect the health of the public. The Health Department will promote accurate identification and treatment of latent TB infection and active TB disease, and foster accessibility to all services and resources for those who are affected.

## Definitions

**Active TB Disease:** Active tuberculosis (TB) disease happens when the immune system cannot keep TB germs from multiplying and growing in the body. People with TB disease feel sick and can spread TB germs to others. TB disease can almost always be treated and cured with medicine. Without treatment, it can be fatal.

**Latent or Inactive Tuberculosis:** Tuberculosis (TB) germs can live in the body for years without making you sick. This is called inactive TB or latent TB infection. People with inactive TB do not feel sick, do not have symptoms, and cannot spread TB germs to others. Without treatment, inactive TB can develop into active TB disease at any time and make you sick.

## Attachments

[City of Appleton\Shared Documents\General\POLICIES:](#)

205\_1\_PRO\_Active Tuberculosis Disease Case Management

205\_2\_PRO\_Latent Tuberculosis Infection Case Management

205\_3\_PRO\_Tuberculosis Directly Observed Therapy

205\_4\_PRO\_Tuberculosis Contacts

205\_5\_PRO\_Tuberculosis Case Finding

[Wisconsin State Statutes Chapter 252: Communicable Diseases](#)

[Wisconsin Administrative Codes Chapter DHS 145: Control of Communicable Diseases](#)