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# **OMPP clarifies TB test requirements for direct care Home- and Community-Based Services**

The Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP) Home- and Community-Based Services (HCBS) certification team would like to clarify requirements for tuberculosis (TB) testing and policy for direct care HCBS provider certification to align with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance.

To certify for direct care HCBS certification, providers must meet the following requirements:

- A TB test is required for all direct care employees upon hire prior to face-to-face interaction with clients. The TB test is to be stored in the employee's personnel file.
- The provider's personnel policy will include that the agency will provide yearly TB education to direct care employees.
- The provider's personnel policy will include that an employee will be required to have an updated TB test upon known TB exposure. If the TB test is positive, a negative x-ray is required.

Services that typically utilize direct care employees include the following services:



- Adult Family Care
- Assisted Living, including Memory Care Unit
- Attendant Care
- Behavior Management/Behavior Program and Counseling
- Integrated Health Care Coordination
- Home and Community Assistance
- Residential-Based Habilitation
- Skilled Respite Services
- Structured Day Program
- Supported Employment
- Transportation

Providers can submit any questions by submitting an inquiry in the OMPP HCBS Certification Portal.



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