

Who do I call if I need help?

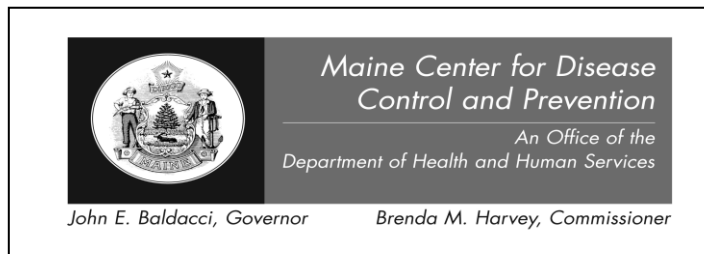
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What medical care do I need if I have a positive TB Skin Test?



TB
Can be prevented
Can be treated
Can be cured

What medical care do I need now that I have a positive TB skin test?

- You must have a chest x-ray and blood tests to see if you have TB disease or latent TB infection. Medical tests are the only way to find out if you have TB disease, and if you can spread the disease to your friends and family.
- You can get the tests at your regular doctor, or at Maine Medical Center if you do not have a regular doctor. Once you have completed the tests, you will need an appointment with your doctor or with the doctor at Maine Medical Center TB Clinic.

If I need to go to Maine Medical Center, how do I get there?

- If you are taking the bus, called the METRO: Take bus #1 to the corner of Congress Street and Bramhall Street, or take bus #8 and get off in front of the hospital.
- If you are going by car: You can park your car in the parking lot at the corner of Bramhall Street and Chadwick Street, or in the parking garage at the intersection of Congress Street and Gilman Street. There is no fee to park in the garage.

How do I register as a new patient at Maine Medical Center?

- You can go to Maine Medical Center Monday-Friday between 8:00am and 3:30pm to register as a new patient. You do not need an appointment to register. Maine Medical Center is at 22 Bramhall Street, Portland, Maine.
- When you arrive at the hospital, go in the main entrance, and go to room G320, Patient Registration. G320 is the 1st door on your right after you go in the main entrance of the hospital.
- Patient Registration will ask for some information (your name, birth date, address) and they will give you a TB Blue Card to show that you have registered. The Blue Card will have a red dot to show you are a patient at TB Clinic.



What should I take with me to Maine Medical Center when I go for the first time to register as a patient?

- If you already have health insurance, take your insurance card with you.
- If you have applied for Maine Care but do not have a MaineCare card yet, you should let the hospital know that you have applied.
- If you have a job, you should take all of your pay stubs for the previous 1 month. If you get paid every week, take all 4 pay stubs. If you get paid every two weeks, take 2 pay stubs with you.
- If you are on General Assistance, you should take your most recent “General Assistance Statement” with the dollar amount of your vouchers.

How do I get the blood tests and x-rays at Maine Medical Center?

- After you have registered, you should go to MMC TB Clinic on the 1st floor of the hospital. Take the red elevator to floor 1 and TB clinic is the 1st door on your right after stepping off of the red elevator.
- After your test results and x-ray results are obtained, you will be contacted by phone with the test results and with an appointment date to see the doctor at TB Clinic.