Tuberculosis & COVID-19 Know the Difference

TB and **COVID-19** have some similar symptoms. It is important to "Think TB" when symptoms and risk factors for TB are present.

TB Symptoms

- Cough of three weeks or longer
- Prolonged fever or chills
- Night sweats
- · Coughing up blood
- Unexplained weight loss

- Cough
- Fever
- Shortness of breath

Both can be spread by coughing and sneezing

COVID-19 Symptoms

- · Loss of taste or smell
- · Muscle or body aches
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Who is at Risk for TB?

- Persons recently infected with TB bacteria
- Persons who are immune suppressed

Risk Factors Associated with TB Patients Reported in Texas in 2019

Foreign Born 62.1%

Diabetes 20.8%

8%

Alcohol Abuse 9.9%

Correctional Facility Resident 9.7%

HIV/AIDS 4.7%

Homeless 3.6%

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Think TB









Respond & Report





My local health department TB contact is:

Diagnosing TB: dshs.texas.gov/idcu/disease/tb/publications/ Reporting TB: dshs.texas.gov/idcu/disease/tb/faqs/#report COVID-19: dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/

