Do you have a bad cough that won't go away? You might have TB. Get evaluated.

Signs you may have TB:

- ✓ A bad cough that lasts for more than 3 weeks*
- Chest pain when you breathe
- Coughing up blood or other stuff
- ✓ Feeling very tired or weak
- \checkmark Losing weight if you're not trying
- ✓ Fevers or chills
- ✓ Drenching night sweats

* If you have a chronic cough AND at least one other symptom go to the Fulton TB clinic!

Here is what you should do:

- 1. Get tested today.
- 2. Find out if you need to start free medicines.
- 3. If you have TB, and you don't take care of it, it can kill you.

Your chances of having TB are higher...

- If you spend a lot of time around someone that has TB
- If you spend a lot of time where air does not flow well
- If you are around people with TB disease who do not cover
- their cough or aren't taking medicine
- If you have HIV or diabetes
- If you use drugs



How can I get help?

- You need to get tested.
- If you have a positive skin test, you need to start medicine.
- You may need to take medicine from anywhere from 4 months to 9 months depending on what kind of TB you have.
- If you are homeless and you have TB, the TB clinic can give you free medical exams and free housing.

What are the 2 types of TB?

Active and Latent (Sleeping)

• Active TB means that you have TB, you feel sick, and you are contagious. You may have a positive or negative TB skin or blood test. If you don't get medicine and you have active TB, you can die.



• Latent (Sleeping) TB means that you have the germ, but it is not making you sick right now. If you have latent TB, you will probably have a positive TB skin or blood test.

How do we keep from spreading TB?

- have TB.

What does a positive skin test mean?



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We are inside the Fulton County Health Department, across from the McDonald's by **Grady Hospital**

✓ Ask people around you to cover their cough and sneezes. They can use a tissue or the inside of their arm.

✓ Keep kids and the older people away from people who

• A positive skin test means that you may have TB

• If you have a positive skin test, you should seek out TB evaluation. Your test will stay positive after treatment.

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