

SUBJECT: Active TB Infection Found at Father Joe's Villages

From January to March, a client with an active tuberculosis (TB) infection was found to have utilized services at Father Joe's Villages, potentially exposing employees, clients and the community. Services used include the Inclement Weather Shelter, San Diego Day Center, Food Services, Employment and Education Services, and Village Health Center. Father Joe's Villages had no knowledge of the client's TB status while they were accessing services.

Please consider the following statement from Dr. Jeffrey Norris, MD, Chief Medical Officer at Father Joe's Villages:

"The health and safety of our staff, volunteers and clients is paramount. Father Joe's Villages is working with our partners at the County of San Diego to take the necessary steps to notify staff, clients and others who may have been exposed.

We will also be working to provide clients with the treatment necessary to treat any TB infections."

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Further questions should be directed to the County of San Diego Health & Human Services Agency, Tuberculosis Control Program, 619-692-5565.