

The messages to convey to communities (In and out of facility)

1. TB can be prevented, treated and cured.
2. People with TB of the lungs can spread it to those that they are in **close contact** with every day for an extended period of time.
3. You have the highest risk of breathing in TB bacteria and becoming infected if you:
 - share the same enclosed space or living arrangement with a person with TB of the lungs for one or more nights; or
 - share the same space with this person with TB of the lungs at work, school, college or public transport for frequent or extended periods during the day.
 - If you have been in close contact with someone who has TB of the lungs during the 3 months before he or she began TB treatment you should go to the clinic for a TB test.
4. To reduce the spread of TB bacteria :
 - Keep the windows open and let sunlight into your home,
 - Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing or cough into your elbow,
 - Do not spit on the ground, if you must spit then do it into a tissue and throw it in a bin or flush it.