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Care Clinic patient diagnosed with active tuberculosis

Health officials have determined that some patients at a Corona health clinic have been exposed to tuberculosis (TB) after a client was diagnosed with an active form of the illness, it was announced today.

A patient was diagnosed with TB and health officials are recommending testing as a precaution for patients who were potentially exposed. Approximately 200 patients were notified of the potential exposure.

The patient, who will not be identified due to health privacy laws, has started treatment and is on home isolation until cleared by a physician.

“Once it is diagnosed, TB is treatable. While there is some risk of transmission, it is typically low. Still, we always work to ensure that anyone who may have been exposed is evaluated,” said Dr. Cameron Kaiser, Riverside County health officer.

Corona Care Clinic staff have been notified of the possible TB exposure and staff at the clinic undergo regular testing for TB.

Individuals who were potentially exposed have been advised that they should be screened for TB. The screening for TB includes a simple skin test. If the skin test reads positive, the individual will then require a chest x-ray and follow up with an appropriate provider.

Kaiser added: “TB testing is being recommended as a precautionary measure. Testing is quick and it provides peace of mind.”

Individuals who were potentially exposed will be advised of various locations where they can have the TB skin test.

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