

TB Testing Requirements for New Incoming Students

If you were born in – or have had frequent or prolonged visits to – any of the following countries with high incidence* of TB:

Afghanistan	Ecuador	Libya	Qatar
Algeria	El Salvador	Lithuania	Romania
Angola	Equatorial Guinea	Macao	Russian Federation
Anguilla	Eritrea	Madagascar	Rwanda
Argentina	Eswatini	Malawi	Sao Tome & Principe
Armenia	Ethiopia	Malaysia	Senegal
Azerbaijan	Fiji	Maldives	Sierra Leone
Bangladesh	Gabon	Mali	Singapore
Belarus	Gambia	Marshall Islands	Solomon Islands
Belize	Georgia	Mauritania	Somalia
Benin	Ghana	Mexico	South Africa
Bhutan	Greenland	Micronesia	South Sudan
Bolivia	Guam	Moldova-Rep	Sri Lanka
Bosnia & Herzegovina	Guatemala	Mongolia	Sudan
Botswana	Guinea	Morocco	Suriname
Brazil	Guinea-Bissau	Mozambique	Tajikistan
Brunei Darussalam	Guyana	Myanmar	Tanzania
Burkina Faso	Haiti	Namibia	Thailand
Burundi	Honduras	Nauru	Timor-Leste
Cabo Verde	Hong Kong	Nepal	Togo
Cambodia	India	Nicaragua	Tunisia
Cameroon	Indonesia	Niger	Turkmenistan
Central African Republic	Iraq	Nigeria	Tuvalu
Chad	Kazakhstan	Niue	Uganda
China	Kenya	Northern Mariana Islands	Ukraine
Colombia	Kiribati	Pakistan	Uruguay
Comoros	Korea-DPR	Palau	Uzbekistan
Congo-DR	Korea-Republic	Panama	Vanuatu
Congo-Republic	Kuwait	Papua New Guinea	Venezuela
Cote d'Ivoire	Kyrgyzstan	Paraguay	Vietnam
Djibouti	Lao PDR	Peru	Yemen
Dominican Republic	Lesotho	Philippines	Zambia
	Liberia		Zimbabwe

OR any of the following apply to you:

- You have had close contact with persons known or suspected to have active TB disease
- You have been a resident, volunteer, and/or employee of high-risk congregate settings (e.g., correctional facilities, long-term care facilities, and homeless shelters)
- You have been a volunteer or health-care worker who served clients who are at increased risk for active TB disease
- You have been a member of groups that may have an increased incidence of latent *M. tuberculosis* infection or active TB disease (medically underserved, low-income, or abusing drugs or alcohol)

... then you must meet Cornell's TB screening requirement (see next page).

*High incidence = >20 cases per 100,000 individuals. Source: World Health Organization's Global Tuberculosis Report 2022.

Cornell's TB screening requirement:

Following American College Health Association and public health guidelines, Cornell requires full-time students who meet any of the criteria listed on page 1 to provide documentation of results from a recent TB screening.

- **TESTS:** Only a **Quantiferon-TB Gold** or **T-SPOT blood test** will be accepted. Skin tests do *not* meet this requirement. If your TB blood test result is positive, you also must submit a chest x-ray report (no films).
- **DATES:** Summer or fall 2023 entrants: your test must be dated September 1, 2022 or later.
Spring 2024 entrants: your test must be dated February 1, 2023 or later.
- **DOCUMENTATION:** Enter information using the "TB Screening" form in your Medical Clearances list in myCornellHealth. Visit health.cornell.edu/requirements for details.

If you are not able to obtain required TB screening or documentation before coming to Cornell, you must arrange for TB screening as soon as you arrive on campus. See health.cornell.edu/requirements for more information.