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## **CASINO PATRON HAS TB**

### ***Golden Acorn Shuttle Passenger Receiving Treatment; County Investigation Continues***

The San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) has alerted the management of the Campo Kumeeyaay Nation about a case of TB in a Golden Acorn Casino patron. The patron traveled regularly on shuttle buses bringing customers to the casino from National City.

“We are working closely with the staff at the Golden Acorn Casino to notify those who may have been exposed,” said Wilma Wooten, M.D., M.P.H., County Public Health Officer.

Patrons who rode on any of the following National City casino shuttle buses for a total of eight or more times between May 1 and May 31, 2007 should contact their physician:

- Stop #1 - 8 a.m. – in front of Ralphs supermarket, 901 Euclid Avenue
- Stop #2 - 8:15 a.m. – in front of Kimball Towers, 1317 D Avenue
- Stop #3 - 8:30 a.m. – in front of Gemmae’s Bakery, 450 E. 8<sup>th</sup> Street

Symptoms of active TB include persistent cough, fever, night sweats and unexplained weight loss. Most people who are exposed to TB do not develop the disease.

Individuals with no medical provider, or anyone who would like more information, may call the County TB Control Program at (619) 692-8621.

Tuberculosis is not uncommon in the San Diego region. During 2006, there were 315 total cases of TB in San Diego County.

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