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SAN DIEGO MAN DIAGNOSED WITH TB

Individual Frequented Several Downtown Locations; HHS Working to Notify Patrons

The County of San Diego HHS (Health and Human Services Agency) is working to notify patrons of several facilities who were possibly exposed to tuberculosis (TB). A downtown San Diego man has been diagnosed with active TB.

The man spent time at several downtown locations including the City library at 820 E St. (the first floor Mystery Section from 1 -3 p.m. daily), the Star Bar at 423 E St (10 a.m. – 1 p.m. daily) , the Senior Center at 928 Broadway (breakfast 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. and second lunch 12:30 -1 p.m. daily), and the Salvation Army San Diego Center City Corps Senior Breakfast at 825 7th Ave. (8:30 - 9:30 a.m., Monday - Friday). Anyone who was in one or more of those sites for 16 hours or more between May 1 and Sept. 22, 2007 may have been exposed.

“TB is a slow-moving disease, and it is important to notify those who may have frequented these locations,” said Wilma Wooten, M.D., M.P.H., County Public Health Officer.

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. This year there have been 177 cases. In 2006, there were 315 total cases of TB in San Diego County.

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