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WORKER AT HI BALL BAR IN CHULA VISTA HAS TB *HHSA Working with Management to Notify Patrons and Staff*

The San Diego County HHSA (Health and Human Services Agency) reports that an individual who worked at the Hi Ball Bar, 626 E St., Chula Vista, had tuberculosis (TB) between July 1, 2007 and Oct. 10, 2007.

“We are working closely with the Hi Ball Bar owner to notify patrons and staff who may have been exposed,” said Wilma Wooten, M.D., M.P.H., County Public Health Officer.

Patrons who frequented the bar for more than 16 cumulative hours between the hours of 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. from July 1 to Oct. 10, 2007 should consult their physicians. Those with no medical provider, or anyone who would like more information, may call the County TB Control Program at (619) 692-8621.

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.

Tuberculosis is not uncommon in the San Diego region. In 2007, there have been 200 cases to date. During 2006, there were 315 total cases of TB in San Diego County.

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