



Objectives



Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:

- Explain the importance of adherence to LTBI treatment, in the context of strategies to eliminate tuberculosis as a public health problem
- Describe common barriers to adherence to LTBI treatment
- State examples of proven strategies for improving adherence
- Discuss how to implement strategies for improving adherence in your own program area



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Agenda



- Introduction, housekeeping *Bill Bower*
- Overview: Adherence to LTBI Treatment *Julie Franks*
- Experience Using Peer Workers Paul Colson
- Efforts to Assure Adherence among Migrant Workers *Danielle Weber*
- Questions and Answers
- Wrap up





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Priority Strategies for TB Prevention and Control

- 1. identifying and treating persons who have active TB
- 2. finding and screening persons who have had contact with TB patients to determine whether they are infected with Mycobacterium tuberculosis or have active TB and providing appropriate treatment
- screening populations at high risk for TB infection and the development of TB disease to detect infected persons and providing therapy to prevent progression to active TB

"Essential Components of a Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Program" ACET, 1995



Why this seminar?



- Treatment of persons with LTBI accepted as essential component of TB control
- · Rates of completion of treatment disappointing
- Few programs achieve CDC objective of

"At least 85% of infected contacts who are started on treatment for LTBI will complete treatment within 365 days."



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(B) Questions and Discussion



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