Examples of Expected Outcomes in TB Case Management

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| **Activity: Treatment with anti-TB medications**   * Appropriate medication regimen is completed in expected time frame (varies according to patient’s condition). |
| **Activity: Directly observed therapy (DOT)**   * Treatment is completed. * Patient maintains adherence rate that meets established objectives. |
| **Activity: Clinical monitoring of response to TB treatment**   * Sputum smears and cultures remain negative. * Patient no longer demonstrates signs or symptoms of TB. |
| **Activity: Adherence monitoring**   * Patient keeps appointments with physician, nurse, and other team members. * Patient does not miss DOT appointments. * Barriers are identified and issues addressed. |
| **Activity: Insight into TB disease process**   * Patient verbalizes an understanding of the TB disease process. * Patient understands importance of following TB treatment regimen as evidenced by adherence and completion of therapy. * Patient cooperates with the nurse and TB staff on contact investigation, infection control, and other efforts to prevent transmission of disease. |
| **Activity: Treatment plan documented**   * Individualized care plan, developed in the early stages of treatment, is reviewed at regular intervals and updated by team members, as needed. |
| **Activity: Community health**   * Contacts are identified, tested, evaluated, and started on treatment according to established guidelines. |