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TO: New SIBCR Employees

FROM: Rose Hawley, PHR  
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RE: **Tuberculin Skin Test**

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The VA requires all Without Compensation Employees (WOCs), this includes all SIBCR employees, to have a Tuberculin Skin test when you begin your employment at this facility. After that you need to go in once a year for a retest.

If you have a history of positive PPD, please contact Ron Kaplan, ARNP, COHN via e-mail or call X-66710.

For those individuals who DO NOT have a history of positive PPD, **please report to the Employee Health Clinic for the Tuberculin Skin test.** You must return to the Employee Health Clinic 48 to 72 hours later or as instructed by the nurse so that the results of the test can be recorded in your records and/or the proper precautions be taken should you convert to a positive reading. **IF YOU DO NOT RETURN TO HAVE THE RESULTS RECORDED IN YOUR RECORDS THE SKIN TEST IS INCOMPLETE AND YOU WILL NEED TO REPEAT THE SKIN TEST.**

In Seattle: Employee Health is part of the East Specialty Clinic, located in Building 100, Room 137. Employee Health hours are 8:00 - 9:00 AM and 3:00 - 4:15 PM, Monday - Friday. There is no TB skin testing on Thursdays. If you work an irregular hour, please contact Employee Health at X66710 to schedule alternate arrangements for testing.

In American Lake: Skin testing is done at Employee Health/Triage, Building 81. Employee Health hours are Monday-Friday 7:30 – 8:30 AM and 3:00 – 4:00 PM. There is no TB testing on Thursdays.

If you have any further questions or need additional information please contact Ron Kaplan, ARNP, COHN X-66710.