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**Date:** February 4, 2023

**To:** TB Control Program Recipients

**From:** Terence Chorba, Chief, Field Services Branch, Division of TB Elimination

**Subject:** Attendance at the 2023 National Tuberculosis Conference

**Dear Recipient:**

This letter is to support and encourage participation in this year's National Tuberculosis (TB) Conference (NTC) for recipients of federal funding under the CDC Tuberculosis Elimination and Laboratory Cooperative Agreement, PS20-2001. Ideally, each funded program should send at least one representative to the conference, especially for programs that have been approved to use travel funds in their cooperative agreement for this purpose. The 2023 NTC will be held on June 12-15, 2023, at the Loews Midtown Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia.

The 2023 NTC is an excellent opportunity to learn about cutting-edge TB science, clinical, and programmatic advances from national subject matter experts. In addition to these educational opportunities, the conference will provide participants with important networking and relationship-building opportunities that are beneficial to individual TB program staff and to the functioning of the larger U.S. TB program.

This year's planning committee has developed a highly curated program that includes important updates. Some of these updates include (but are not limited to) the following session topics:

- Advances in TB Diagnosis and Treatment
- Laboratory Aspects of TB
- Health Equity Approaches to TB Care
- Best Practices for Contact Investigations
- New Approaches to TB Isolation Practice
- Use of eDOT Technologies
- Hot Topics in TB Prevention and Control
- Current Approaches to LTBI Testing and Treatment
- Challenges and Issues in Securing TB Surveillance Data

The 2023 NTC is being co-located with the 13<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Laboratory Aspects of Tuberculosis and provides an opportunity for TB program staff to interact with public health TB laboratorians. In addition, being in Atlanta, this is a year when more CDC/Division of Tuberculosis Elimination staff will attend, providing program staff

with the opportunity to engage with project officers and other DTBE leadership.

The conference planning committee continues to take steps to ensure the health and safety of participants and is committed to following any current CDC guidance. Overall, this conference will provide a very informative and valuable learning experience for all who are able to attend.

For more information about the NTC or a draft agenda, or if you have any questions on this matter, contact Ms. Sherry Brown, NTCA, at [sbrown.ntca@gmail.com](mailto:sbrown.ntca@gmail.com).

Respectfully,

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