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Public Health Complex, 555/5, Elvitigala Mawatha, Narahenpita, Colombo-05, Sri Lanka.

All the DTCOO, District Chest Clinics.

Baseline Investigations for Tuberculosis Patients who attend District Chest Clinics

The NPTCCD is currently accelerating TB control activites towards improved case detection, reduced defaulter rate, reduced co-morbidity and mortality.

Yet it is noted that a large number of patients default from the system due to adverse events following anti-Tuberculosis treatment.

Further more, around five hundred TB patients die annually, during the treatment course due to multiple factors where a dominant contributer is adverse drug reactions of anti TB drugs.

Hence the importance of doing baseline investigations for all the pateints, for proper monitoring of adverse drug reactions, was emphasized in several meetings including the health development committee meeting.

Therefore please make arrangements to do the following investigations which are highlighted as mandatory;

- 1. Haemoglobin
- 2. Blood sugar (FBS or RBS)
- 3. WBC/DC (a) Total count

(b) Differential count

4. Liver function tests (a) SGOT/SGPT

(b) Total billirubin

5. Serum creatinine

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 - 2. Deputy Director General /PHS 1- for information
 - 3. Deputy Director General/MS for information
 - 4. Deputy Director General/LS- for information
 - 5. Provincial directors of all the provinces for information and necessary action
 - 6. Regional directors of health services all the districts—for information and necessary action
 - Directors/ Medical Superintendants of Teaching / Disrict General/ Base hospiltals – to support and facilitate the activity until investigating facilities are provided to chest clinics
 - 8. Consultant pathologist/ Teaching / Disrict General/ Base hospiltals to support and facilitate the activity until investigating facilities are provided to chest clinics