Tuberculosis Management

Nurses will follow DPH Guidelines to determine when students need testing: Connecticut TB Risk Assessment

Students not already known to have a positive test should be tested if they have any of the following risk factors for TB infection:

- a. were born in a high risk country of the world (per CT Dept of Public Health) and do not have a record of a TST or IGRA test (e.g. QuantiFERON®-TB Gold In-Tube test (QFT-GIT) or •T-SPOT®.TB test) performed in the United States (U.S.);
- b. have traveled to a high risk country, stayed for at least a month with substantial contact with the indigenous population since the previously required examination; Testing should be done 7-8 weeks after return
- c. have extensive contact with persons who have recently come to the U.S. from high risk countries since the previously required examination;
- d. had contact with a person(s) suspected to have TB
- e. lives with anyone who has been in a homeless shelter, jail or prison, uses illegal drugs or has HIV infection.