



HIGH-LEVEL EVENT
GLOBAL DRIVE TO SCALE
UP TB PREVENTION

Advocacy Toolkit



ABOUT THE HIGH-LEVEL EVENT:

Global drive to scale up TB prevention



The World Health Organization is organizing a special high-level event to discuss key actions needed at global and country level to scale up TB prevention strategies and drive progress towards achieving the 2022 UN High Level Meeting target on TB preventive treatment.

Key speakers will include WHO Director-General Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus and other senior WHO leadership, Health Ministers and high-level government representatives, Heads of Agencies, TB survivors, civil society and partners.

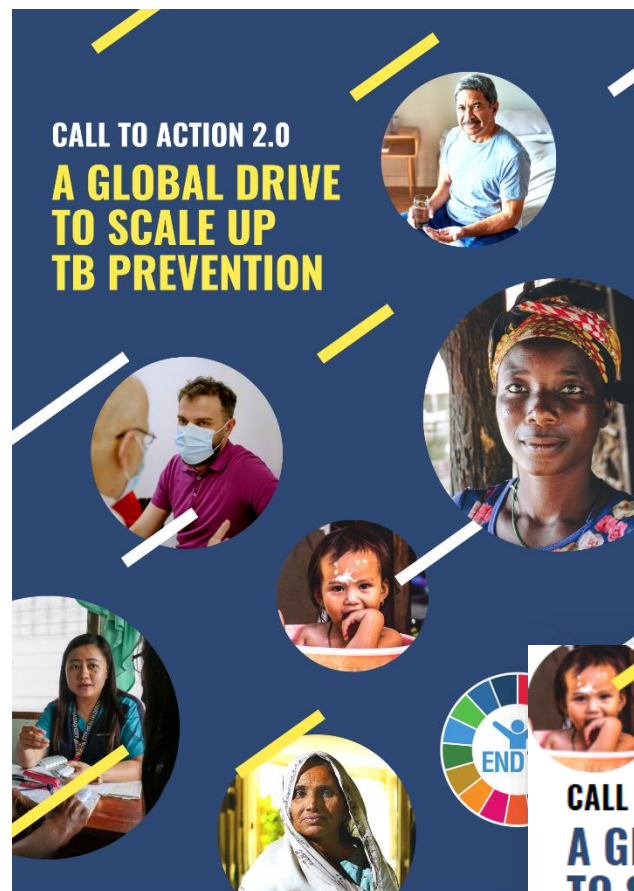
A joint **Call to Action 2.0** will be released by WHO and partners calling for urgent actions by governments and donors to step up momentum to rapidly enhance coverage of TB preventive treatment for those in need.

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Call to action 2.0: A global drive to scale up TB prevention

KEY MESSAGES



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FACTSHEET



WHO, civil society and other partners are joining forces to make a strong Call To Action for access to TB preventive treatment to those in need, urging governments to undertake the following actions over the next 18 months:

- 1. Strengthen and finance TB preventive interventions adequately, as a sound investment and in recognition of TB prevention as a human right and entitlement under the rights to health. Achieving the UN-HLM targets for TB preventive treatment alone requires an annual budgetary increase of the order of one third of the US\$ 6.5 billion currently allocated globally for TB activities each year. This would still be well below the US\$ 13 billion considered necessary to fund all TB programme components adequately each year worldwide**
- 2. Expand outreach by giving TB preventive treatment to on average 3 people in contact with each person with bacteriologically confirmed TB**
- 3. In order to achieve the UN-HLM target on TB preventive treatment, fully activate systematic screening to find more people with TB and in need of TPT. In addition to people with TB presenting to healthcare services, 6 million more can be found by active TB case finding among household contacts, residents of informal settlements and other high-risk populations**

With 18 months left to reach at least 30 million people with tuberculosis (TB) preventive treatment, as committed by Heads of State at the UN High Level Meeting on TB (UN-HLM) in 2018, there is great urgency to step up health programmatic action. WHO and partners are calling on governments and other stakeholders to keep the promises they made and accelerate coverage of TB preventive treatment for those in need.

TB remains a major cause of disease and death worldwide. TB prevention can save lives and alleviate suffering but is often neglected. The UN-HLM commitments to end TB include a drive to start on TB preventive treatment at least 4 million contacts under 5 years of age and 20 million older contacts, as well as 6 million people living with HIV by the end of 2022. While the target for people living with HIV is expected to have been achieved in 2020, about 22 million contacts have yet to be reached.

Providing TB preventive treatment to reach targets by 2022 will require a massive scale-up of efforts and larger investment. This becomes more relevant given the disruptions in TB care delivery, supply chains and other programme activities due to COVID-19, which add to the urgency. The UN Secretary General in his 2020 Progress Report on TB called for prioritizing and dramatically scaling up access to TB preventive treatment and stronger multisectoral action. It is now urgent for countries and partners to undertake a systematic and invigorated drive to boost the evaluation of people at risk of TB and increase access to TB preventive treatment and other preventive actions.

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SOCIAL MEDIA TILES & INFOGRAPHICS

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UN High-Level Meeting target: >30 million people receive TB preventive treatment

2018 2022

It's time to prevent TB to end TB

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GLOBAL PROGRESS IN PROVISION OF TB PREVENTIVE TREATMENT LAGS BEHIND
what is needed to reach the overall UN global target

Category	Target (2018-2022)	Treated (2018 & 2019)	Percentage
TB PREVENTIVE TREATMENT (all ages)	30 million	6.3 million	21%
PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV	6 million	5.3 million	88%
HOUSEHOLD CONTACTS AGED < 5 YEARS	4 million	783 000	20%
HOUSEHOLD CONTACTS AGED ≥ 5 YEARS	20 million	179 000	<1%

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POSTERS & GIF



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This will be compiled into a giant collage of supporters of the Call to Action 2.0



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SPOTLIGHT ON TB PREVENTION



TB infection is extremely common – about one-quarter of the world’s population is estimated to be infected. TB prevention is a critical step towards ending TB by 2030.

The world is not on track to reach the UN high-level meeting target of providing at least 30 million people with TB preventive treatment over 2018-22. Urgent attention needs to be given to prevention for household contacts of TB patients, especially children, who are some of the most vulnerable groups.

The visual Q&A is aimed at informing and educating people about TB prevention.

Visual Q&A

Preventive treatment for tuberculosis infection

What is TB infection?
Tuberculosis (TB) is caused by bacteria and spreads through air and can infect anyone. Sometimes, a person gets infected with bacteria but they do not fall ill with TB immediately. In this case, the TB bacteria remain inactive in the body and the person is said to have TB infection. People with TB infection do not show any signs or symptoms of TB.
Most people with TB infection are not sick and cannot spread the infection to others. However, they are at risk of developing active TB if their immune system weakens.

Am I at risk?
You can be infected with TB bacteria even if you are not ill. In fact, as many as 1 in 4 people in the world are estimated to have TB infection, most of whom are well. Some people who are infected will go on to develop TB disease.
The chance of getting active TB disease is higher if you:
• are in close contact with a TB patient
• are living with HIV
Other high-risk groups include people receiving dialysis, who have alcohol, who are receiving haematological transplantation or anti-TNF treatment, health-care workers, migrants from high TB burden countries, people who use drugs, who are in prison or homeless people.

Do I need TB preventive treatment?
If you are at risk then your healthcare provider will first rule out active TB disease before assessing if you need TB preventive treatment.
A tuberculin skin test (TST) or interferon-gamma release assay (IGRA) can be used to identify people with infection.


What are the treatment options?
Today, there are many preventive treatment options available. New, shorter treatment options mean that people can be protected from TB for many years with treatment lasting only 1 or 3 months versus more than 6 months in the past.
It is important to complete the full course of TB preventive treatment so that it is effective.

TB preventive treatment can stop infection from turning into disease. Protect yourself and your loved ones!

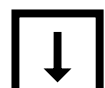


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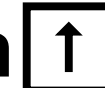


Join us for a special @WHO High-Level Event: Global drive to scale up #TB prevention. Great line-up of speakers including @WHO DG @DrTedros & WHO leadership, Health Ministers and govt., Heads of Agencies, TB survivors, civil society & partners. Register  <https://bit.ly/3v4iW35>



#TB remains one of the world's top infectious killers. While deaths are going , it still claims close to 4 000 lives each day, 120 000 lives every month and 1.4 million lives annually. #TB prevention can #SaveLives. Its time to end this preventable and curable disease! #EndTB



1 in 4 people have #TB infection but TB preventive treatment can stop infection from developing into disease. Progress in  access to TB preventive treatment has been slow- w/ only 6.3 million people reached in 2018&2019- we need to expand access. It's time to prevent TB to #EndTB

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#CallToAction! @WHO, civil society & partners are uniting to urge governments to scale up **#TB** prevention over next 18 months:

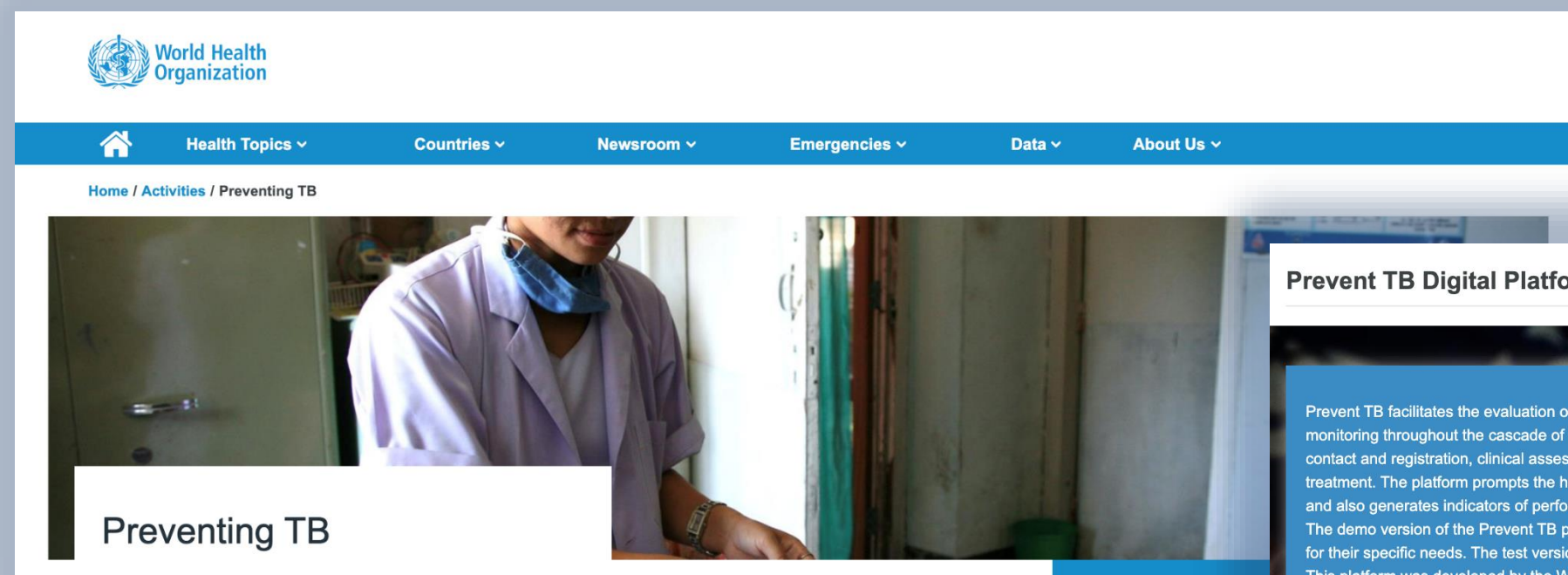
- 1 investments in **#TB** prevention
- 2 Expand access to TB preventive treatment for 3 contacts per person with TB
- 3 Fully activate systematic screening



Join the **#CallToAction** to scale up **#TB** prevention! We have just 18 months to reach the **#UNHLM** **#TB** targets - we need to urgently ramp up coverage of **#TB** prevention and care for those in need

<https://www.who.int/publications/m/item/call-to-action-2.0-a-global-drive-to-scale-up-tb-prevention>

WHO WEBSITE: Preventing TB



Prevent TB Digital Platform

Prevent TB facilitates the evaluation of contacts where they live or in a health facility. It allows monitoring throughout the cascade of preventive care, capturing data at the time of identification of the contact and registration, clinical assessment, screening for active TB, testing for infection and treatment. The platform prompts the health system automatically when there are gaps in this process and also generates indicators of performance. The demo version of the Prevent TB platform published on this website allows countries to test it out for their specific needs. The test version consists of three components. This platform was developed by the WHO Global TB Programme, with support from the European Respiratory Society and Dure Technologies.

Smart Set-up

This is the first step. Users can create a program, configure registration and service forms, alerts, dashboard indicators and publish their customized system. The user can upload index cases for whom contact investigation is needed, manage user groups and facility and even print QR coded cards.
[Video](#) | [Smart set-up](#) | [Manual](#)

Prevent TB Mobile App

The app allows client registration, screening and referrals, and testing and treatment for presumptive cases and household contacts. Real-time alerts helps the providers to track clients thus reducing lost to follow-up cases.
[Video](#) | [App Store](#) | [Google Play](#) | [Manual](#)

Prevent TB Dashboard

The innovative representation with interactive charts, maps, real-time alerts and client line listing helps the user and programmes to leverage data for prompt action and effective policy governance.
[Video](#) | [Dashboard](#) | [Manual](#)

WHO website on preventing TB

Prevent TB Digital Platform



WHO TB KNOWLEDGE SHARING PLATFORM



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<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/who-tb-guide/id1569546750>



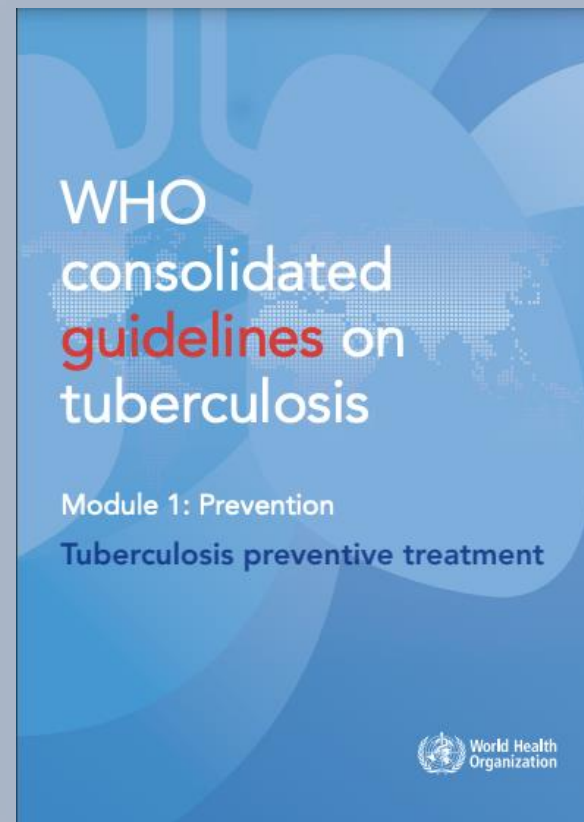
A screenshot of the WHO TB Knowledge Sharing Platform website. The browser address bar shows 'https://extranet.who.int/tbknowledge'. The page features a blue header with the WHO logo and navigation links: 'Consolidated Guidelines', 'Operational Handbooks', 'Training Catalogue', 'Quick Search', 'Recommendations', and 'Log in'. The main content area has a background image of a healthcare worker in a lab coat. Overlaid on this is the text 'WHO TB KNOWLEDGE SHARING PLATFORM' and a sub-headline: 'Access the modular WHO guidelines on tuberculosis, with corresponding handbooks and training materials.' Below this are three colored boxes: a blue box for 'Consolidated Guidelines', a green box for 'Operational Handbooks', and an orange box for 'Training Catalogue', each with a brief description and an icon.



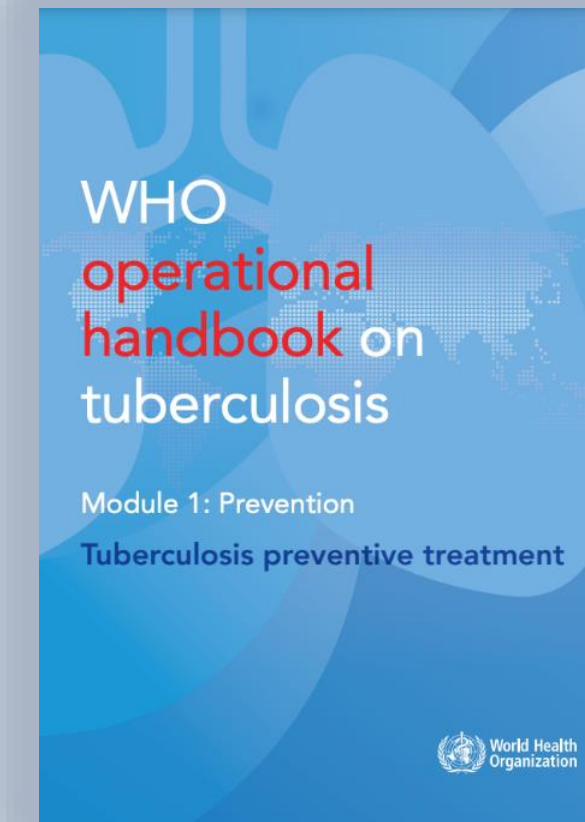
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WHO GUIDELINES: TB Preventive treatment



[WHO consolidated guidelines on tuberculosis: module 1: prevention: tuberculosis preventive treatment](#)



[WHO operational handbook on tuberculosis: module 1: prevention: tuberculosis preventive treatment](#)

More resources:

[Q&A on TB preventive treatment](#)

[How to protect ourselves from TB \(Flyer by WHO SEARO and GCTA\)](#)



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