

Date:	July 26, 2018	Administrative Circular: 2018:10
Attn:	Medical Health Officers and Branc Public Health Nursing Administrate Holders of Communicable Disease	ors and Assistant Administrators
Re:	Revisions to the Communicable Disease Control Manual –	

Please note the following changes to the Communicable Disease Control (CDC) Manual - Chapter 4 Tuberculosis:

• Reformatted TB Manual - Discard and replace entire TB Manual

Chapter 4: Tuberculosis (TB)

Overview of Changes – CDC Manual:

The BC Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 4: Tuberculosis (TB Manual) has been reformatted to improve users experience navigating the manual as well as to allow for improved efficiencies in updating content.

This reformatting change consists of separating out the current TB manual into its respective sections so that each section is now its own PDF. A table of contents has also been added for each section to improve usability. Users can now directly go to the information best suited for their practice without having to navigate through the entire manual. Additionally, updates can be done more efficiently and changes in one section will not alter the page numbers in subsequent sections, thus eliminating the need to reprint large sections of the manual with each update.

Minor revisions have also been made, such as cleaning up some practitioner alert boxes, updating inactive hyperlinks and creating a reference list for each section. **This update does not include any clinical content changes**.

To help facilitate this update, a quick reference guide has been developed which provides an overview of the new format changes as well as provides the hyperlinks to each of the new sections. This has been temporarily posted on the BCCDC website and can be found <u>here</u>.

For the purposes of printing an initial hard copy, a consolidated PDF document of the entire manual has been posted on the BCCDC website and can be found <u>here</u>. Please note that this will only be available for a limited time and will be taken down on Friday August 17, 2018. After





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this date, there will no longer be one consolidated PDF document; however individual PDF documents will continue to be available for print via the BCCDC website.

** The consolidated PDF document of the entire manual should be printed single-sided, as this is one continuous document and sections are not separated. For manual users who prefer double-sided pages, individual PDF documents from each section can be printed via hyperlinks within the online manual. **

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