About TB
With 7,882 reported tuberculosis (TB) cases and an estimated 13 million individuals living with latent TB infection (LTBI) as reported in 2021, LTBI/TB disease continues to impact those living in the United States and its territories. Of these statistics, Asian American (AA) and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (NH/PI) populations are disproportionately impacted by TB at a greater rate compared to other racial and ethnic groups. The need for large-scale LTBI and TB-related screening, testing, and treatment of at-risk populations has never been greater.

What is TB Elimination Alliance (TEA)?
TEA, led by the Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations, Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum, Hepatitis B Foundation, and Stop TB USA, with the support of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, is a national partnership of community leaders dedicated to eliminating LTBI/TB inequities among AA and NH/PI through education, raising awareness, and innovation.

What Does TEA Do?
TEA’s goals and priorities aim to:
- Raise awareness about the link between LTBI and TB disease, address misperceptions, decrease stigma, and encourage and facilitate testing and treatment for LTBI and TB
- Increase awareness of the recommended shorter treatment regimen for LTBI
- Create culturally and linguistically appropriate LTBI and TB education, training and community engagement resources and activities that resonate with high priority AA and NH/PI communities
- Encourage providers to test and treat LTBI among at-risk populations
- Support capacity-building requests by local partners via communications, partnerships, and programs/services

TEA Mini-Grant Program
Each year, TEA offers a mini-grant program to enhance LTBI and/or TB community engagement and education, provider education, and quality improvement. The population of focus is on AA, NH/PI, Latino and African American communities supporting activities at the local level to advance the CDC’s LTBI and TB campaign. Since its launch in 2019, TEA has given out over $500,000 in 17 states and territories.

Total Mini-Grant Dollars Awarded = 573,500

How to Support TEA
To learn more information about and become involved with TEA, please visit www.tbeliminationalliance.org or contact us at tea@aapcho.org.