

About Tuberculosis

With 8,331 reported tuberculosis (TB) cases and an estimated 13 million individuals living with latent TB infection (LTBI) as reported in 2022, LTBI/TB disease continues to impact those living in the United States and its territories. Of these statistics, Asian, Asian American (A/AA), Native Hawaiian and 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 the 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 A/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 A/AA and NH/PI communities;
- Encourage providers to test and treat LTBI among at-risk populations; and
- Support capacity-building requests by local partners via communications, partnerships, and programs/services





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TEA Mini-Grant Program

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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 A/AA, NH/PI, non-U.S. born Latino American, and U.S. born 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 \$800,000 to 35 organizations in 20 states and territories.

Total Mini-Grant Dollars Awarded = \$805,500



How to Support TEA

To learn more information about and become involved with TEA, please visit <u>tbeliminationalliance.org</u> or contact us at <u>tea@aapcho.org</u>.