



What You Should Know About TB

Because maintenance professionals are the ones who must clean the areas where tuberculosis (TB) is most likely to be found — hospitals, drug treatment centers, nursing homes and correctional facilities — the following may help make your employees more aware of TB:

- Tuberculosis is passed through the air when a person with active TB coughs, speaks or sneezes.
- One of the warning signs of TB infection is a cough that persists for more than three weeks.
- Other symptoms of TB include fever, fatigue, night sweats and weight loss.
- The only way to know for certain if you have been infected with TB is to be tested by a medical professional.
- People who are immunocompromised for any reason are the most vulnerable to TB infection.
- Anyone frequently in crowded, poorly ventilated places is more at risk of contracting TB.

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