

Human Resources

AP 7336 CERTIFICATION OF FREEDOM FROM TUBERCULOSIS**References:**

Education Code Section 87408.6;
Business and Professions Code Sections 2000 et seq.

Except as provided herein, no person shall be initially employed by the District in an academic or classified position unless the person has within the last sixty (60) days submitted to a tuberculosis risk assessment developed by the State Department of Public Health and the California Tuberculosis Controllers Association and, if risk factors are present, an examination to determine that he/she/they is free of active tuberculosis, by a physician and surgeon licensed under the Business and Professions Code. This examination shall consist of an X-ray of the lungs, or an approved intradermal tuberculin test, that, if positive, shall be followed by an X-ray of the lungs. This examination is a condition of initial employment and the expense shall be borne by the applicant.

The X-ray film may be taken by a competent and qualified X-ray technician if the X-ray film is subsequently interpreted by a physician and surgeon licensed under the Business and Professions Code.

The Chief Human Resources Officer may exempt, for a period not to exceed 60 days following termination of the pregnancy, a pregnant employee from the requirement that a positive intradermal tuberculin test be followed by an X-ray of the lungs.

Thereafter, employees who are skin test negative, or were not tested because of a lack of risk factors, are required to undergo the foregoing tuberculosis risk assessment and, if risk factors exist, examination that is at least every four years upon recommendation of the local health officer for so long as the employee remains skin test negative. Once an employee has a documented positive skin test that has been followed by an X-ray, the foregoing tuberculosis risk assessment and examinations shall no longer be required and referral shall be made within thirty (30) days of completion of the examination to the local health officer to determine the need for follow up care.

If risk factors were present at the tuberculosis risk assessment and an examination occurs, after the examination, an employee shall cause to be on file with the District a certificate from the examining physician and surgeon showing the employee was examined and found free from active tuberculosis.

This procedure shall not apply to any employee of the District who files an affidavit stating that he/she/they adheres to the faith or teachings of any well-recognized religious sect, denomination, or organization and in accordance with its creed, tenets, or principles depends for healing upon prayer in the practice of religion and that to the best of his/her/their knowledge and belief he/she/they is free from active tuberculosis. If at any time there should be probable cause to believe that the applicant is afflicted

with active tuberculosis, he/she/they may be excluded from service until the Chief Human Resources Officer is satisfied that he/she/they is not so afflicted.

A person who transfers his/her employment from another school or community college district shall be deemed to meet the requirements of this procedure if the person can produce a certificate that shows that he/she/they within the past four years had a tuberculosis risk assessment that showed no risk factors were present or was examined and was found to be free of communicable tuberculosis, or if it is verified by the college previously employing him or her that it has a certificate on file that contains that showing.

A person who transfers his/her/their employment from a private or parochial elementary school, secondary school, or nursery school to the District shall be deemed to meet the requirements of this procedure if the person can produce a certificate as provided for in Section 121525 of the Health and Safety Code that shows that he/she/they within the last four years had a tuberculosis risk assessment that showed no risk factors were present or was examined and was found to be free of communicable tuberculosis, or if it is verified by the school previously employing him/her/them that it has the certificate on file.

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