



Durham Region Health Department FAX about...

For Health Care Professionals



World TB Day

World TB Day, falling on **March 24th** each year, is designed to build public awareness that tuberculosis (TB) remains an epidemic in much of the world today. The theme identified by Stop TB Partnership for World TB Day 2024 is: Yes! We Can End TB.

Tuberculosis is preventable, treatable, and curable with publicly funded medications.

Did you know...

On average, **5-10%** of individuals who have latent tuberculosis infection (LTBI) **will develop active TB** during their lifetime (Canadian Tuberculosis Standards, 8th edition, 2022).

There were **360 LTBI cases** reported to Durham Region Health Department in 2023.

There are **effective treatments** in preventing the progression of LTBI to active TB disease, including rifampin self-administered daily for four months (Canadian Tuberculosis Standards – 8th Edition, 2022).

There are **six Durham Region pharmacies** (Neighbourly Pharmacy Inc.) that can dispense publicly funded TB medications to eligible clients.

Durham Pharmacy – Port Perry – T 905 985 8484 | F 905 985 0827
Byron Street Medical Pharmacy – Whitby – T 905 668 9393 | F 905 668 9632
Clinic Pharmacy – Oshawa – T 905 576 9090 | F 905 576 1533
Taunton Health Pharmacy – Oshawa – T 905 434 1311 | F 905 434 7030
Health Care Pharmacy – Courtice - T 905 721 0011 | F 905 721 0770
Mesa's Compounding Pharmacy – Pickering – T 905 509 4599 | F 905 509 8000

Positive TB skin tests must be **reported** to Durham Region Health Department at **905-668-2020** or by confidential fax **905-666-6215**.

Visit durham.ca/TB for more information.

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