



Patient Care

Texas Center for Infectious Disease (TCID) utilizes a “virtual” interdisciplinary hospital concept which provides limited on-site services through over 100 contracts, 25 shared programs, electronic health records, and networking systems to provide specialized medical consultations and services such as psychiatric care, dental care, optical, hearing, to address medical co-morbidities.

TCID employs a full-time psychologist, licensed social workers, substance abuse counselor, diabetic educator, chaplain, structured recreational therapy, dietitian/nutrition, pharmacist, and 24/7 direct patient care nurses- all to provide support for many of the issues that prevented successful community-based treatment in the past.

Patient incentives to remain in treatment:

- Large campus-unlimited access to outdoor activities
- Day/weekend passes
- Paid patient work program
- Substance abuse counseling and behavioral support
- Educational resources
- Diversional, musical, and recreational activities on/off campus

Ancillary Departments

- Behavioral Health
- Chaplaincy
- Food & Environmental Services
- Laboratory
- Nursing Service
- Outpatient Clinic
- Quality Management
- Pharmacy
- Radiology
- Respiratory
- Recreational Therapy/Volunteer Services
- Health Information Management

Key Leadership

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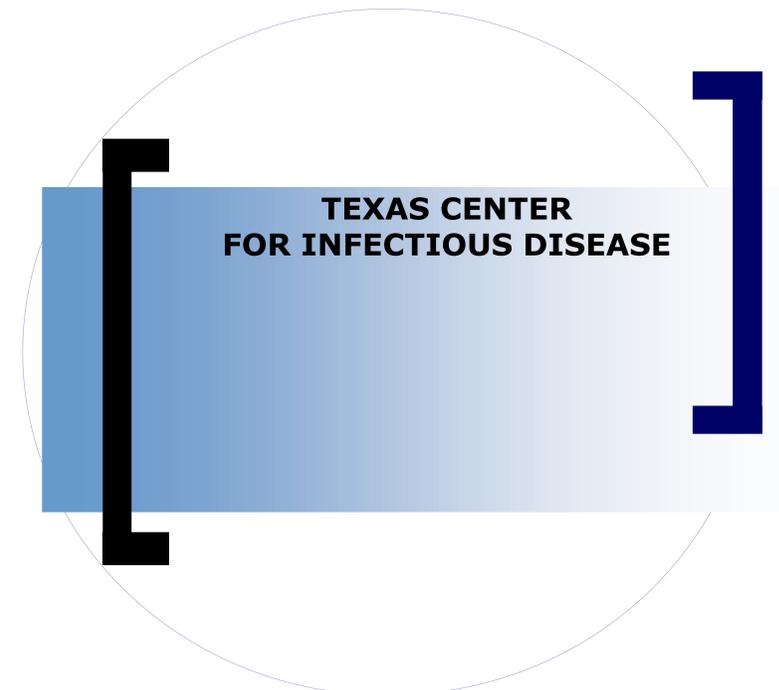
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Attending Physicians:
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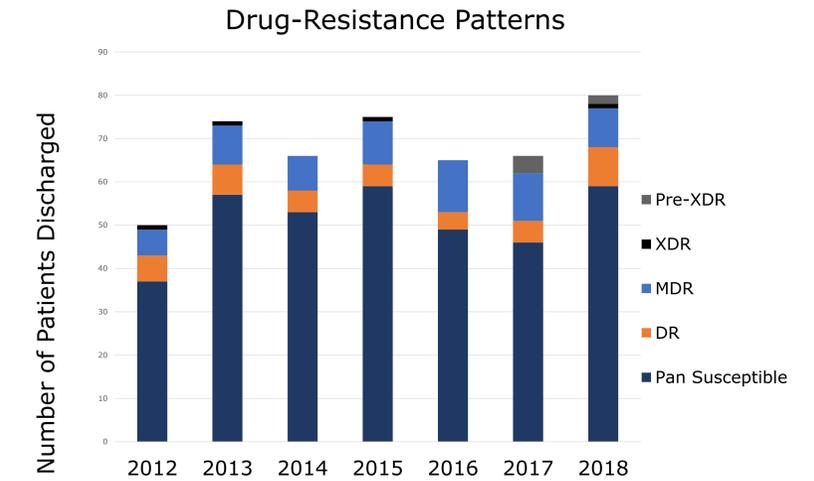


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Texas Center For Infectious Disease-Dedicated To the Treatment And Elimination Of Tuberculosis (TB)

Key Points About Treatment At TCID

- Texas Center for Infectious Disease is a Joint Commission accredited and Medicare Certified Acute Care Hospital.
- TCID began operation in 1953 as an inpatient hospital for patients with TB.
- TCID manages hard-to-treat TB cases by providing additional structure, access to specialized services, and a focused environment for Infectious Disease specialists to practice.
- In 2011, TCID occupied a uniquely designed 75-bed specialty hospital with integrated air quality and security systems, which was built on the original South San Antonio campus.
- Each private room/bath is designed to prevent TB transmission and enhance the patient experience during a prolonged hospital stay of 6 months to 2 years.
- Staff and facilities demonstrate the efficacy of design, construction, and programs focused on successful treatment completion.
- TCID patients have structured campus freedom of movement, including the availability of a secure environment if needed.
- Community-based directly observed therapy (DOT) remains the standard for Tuberculosis (TB) care. TCID is available to treat people with long duration of hospitalization for hard-to-treat TB compounded with:
 - Alcohol and Substance Abuse
 - Civil Commitment
 - Cultural Diversity
 - Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)
 - Homelessness
 - Psychiatric illness
 - Resistant forms of TB
 - Diabetes
- Care is patient-centered, physician-led and multidisciplinary.
- Staff uses elastomeric masks and receive periodic respirator fit testing and specialized competency training to provide evidence-based care, protection and prevent unnecessary fear among staff.
- Staff work with patients to complete the long course of treatments survival tools, structure (including needed, negotiated or court-ordered boundaries), compassion, respect, and encouragement.
- All new patients continue in respiratory isolation until laboratory studies confirm he or she is no longer infectious. The average length of stay for our patients was 139 days in 2018. No patient acquired a further resistant strain of TB. TCID has not had a staff member become infected with TB since 1994. TCID's operating budget is appropriated from state revenues, donations, and billing collections. The all-inclusive rate for inpatient services is \$1395.00 per day.



All new patients are isolated until laboratory studies prove that each person is not contagious. Ample outside space and recreation opportunities are provided for patients to use and for planned activities. Substance abuse interventions are programmed for patients needing those services.

TCID is a resource to accept patients from other states and welcomes transfers. A Memorandum of agreement (MOA) is required. TCID is a Texas designated hospital for court-ordered (quarantined) TB treatment where a patient's non-adherence with TB medication regimens has proven to be a threat to public health or safety. All patients currently being treated at TCID for Hansen's disease are seen in the outpatient clinic, one of four clinics statewide that are contracted through Department of State Health Services (DSHS) for these patients. The complications of Hansen's disease require continued, regular outpatient visits for the remainder of the patient's life.

Success is measured as "treatment to cure, treatment until safe to return to community-based therapy, and treatment, so a person never needs to return." Almost all patients' treatment at TCID is successful by these criteria unless the patient concludes therapy without medical advice. Inpatient stays are from 3 months to 2+ years.

REASON FOR ADMISSION TO TCID: 2018

