



Ohio Revised Code

Section 339.73 Treatment to be available to all persons with tuberculosis.

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Each county or district tuberculosis control unit shall ensure that tuberculosis treatment is made available to all individuals with tuberculosis who reside in the area served by the unit. In making treatment available, the tuberculosis control unit may provide the treatment or make referrals for receipt of treatment from other entities. The unit may make referrals for receipt of temporary housing.

The tuberculosis treatment provided under this section is limited to cases of active tuberculosis and infected contacts and includes provision of antituberculosis medication, conduct of an investigation under section 339.80 of the Revised Code, provision of appropriate follow-up services for confirmed and suspected cases of active tuberculosis, and provision of services by a physician through a course of therapy that meets the standards for tuberculosis treatment established by the United States centers for disease control and prevention or the American thoracic society.

The tuberculosis control unit shall serve all residents within its jurisdiction, regardless of the length of time that the individual has resided in the area or the individual's income and resources. An individual who receives tuberculosis treatment shall disclose to the tuberculosis control unit the identity of any third party against whom the individual has or may have a right of recovery for the treatment provided. The board of county commissioners is the payor of last resort for tuberculosis treatment and shall pay for treatment only to the extent that payment is not made through third-party benefits.
