



# Patient Communication

## LTBI ECHO

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# Challenges

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- ▶ Imperfect testing
- ▶ Latency
- ▶ Side effects
- ▶ Probability
- ▶ Nitrosamine
- ▶ Stigma



# Getting Started

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- ▶ What do you know about tuberculosis?



# Assessing risk factors

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- ▶ Family members
- ▶ Health departments
- ▶ X-rays and medicines



# Potential Tools

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- ▶ Active versus waiting
- ▶ COVID analogies
- ▶ Automobiles
- ▶ 10 patients
- ▶ One medicine or many



# One medicine or many?



# Common Responses

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- ▶ What do you commonly hear from patients?



# Common Responses

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- ▶ “I was vaccinated”
- ▶ “Everyone from my country tests positive”
- ▶ “I don’t have any symptoms”
- ▶ “Will I get active TB?”
- ▶ “Should I stop eating hot dogs?”





# Strategies

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- ▶ Honesty about limitations and uncertainty
- ▶ Patient support resources: [WeAreTB.com](http://WeAreTB.com)
- ▶ LTBI Echo

