



**National Tuberculosis Nurse Coalition
Executive Board Conference Call Notes
January 7, 2009**

- I. Welcome and Attendance:
 - Meeting was called to order at 2:00 Eastern Time (ET)
 - Members in attendance
 - Kathy Hursen
 - Kathy Kolaski
 - Jo-Ann Arnold
 - Linda Brown
 - Carol Pozsik

- II. November, 2008 Minutes were approved as written

- III. NTCA Conference Update
 - Ann Raftery has agreed to present nurse to nurse training
 - Carole Jakeway is interested in a presentation about public health nursing vacancies from a state and national perspective
 - Discussed the possibility of a panel presentation, moderated by Carol Pozsik, on the dismantling of TB nursing case management by agencies
 - Wednesday break-out session will be on case review (current, not retrospective) and its impact on patient care and program performance from a nursing perspective
 - Suggested speakers:
 - Jane Moore and the physician with whom she works
 - Kathy Hursen and the physician with whom she works
 - Kathy Kolaski and Dr. Leonard
 - Karen Galonosky
 - Debbie Spike
 - Kim Fields is presenting cohort review
 - Dawn Farrell was suggested as a speaker for the topic of TB patients' getting sicker
 - Kathy Hursen will develop a time table for the presentations for this session

- IV. Executive Director Report
 - A funding formula conference call will take place this week
 - Discussed the document on HIV/AIDS and confidentiality; expressed concern that this may present communication and treatment barriers when HIV/AIDS and TB are diagnosed
 - Kathy Hursen will send us her comments on this issue
 - There will be a meeting at the end of the week to discuss this issue

- V. NTCA conference call
- There has not been a recent conference call
 - The “Model Law” was rejected; there will be a meeting to redraft this law
- VI. Topics for discussion
- Kathy Kolaski will contact Dawn Farrell to determine if she is still interested in running for NTNC president elect
 - Other potential candidates were discussed:
 - Karen Galonoski
 - Jan Young, California
 - Tammy McKenya, South Carolina
 - Karen Ferrell, A. G. Holly Hospital
 - Ann Siting, Minnesota
 - Roma Olivera, LA
 - Kathy Hursen and Kathy Kolaski will contact the above individuals for their interest in running for NTNC president-elect
 - By Laws changes
 - Kathy Hursen will contact Karen Ferrell, By Laws chair regarding the suggested changes
 - As soon as possible, the bylaws changes will be sent to members for voting
 - The link to the survey results will be emailed to members
 - Discussed sending out a current short poll after the June meeting, possibly in September 2009, to determine any trends in nurse case management shortages over time
 - No open ended questions
 - Discussed the possibility of incorporating this poll annually
 - Kathy Kolaski will refer the contact from the T-Spot test to Carol Pozsik regarding possible representation in the exhibits at the June 2009 annual meeting
 - Linda Brown will send copies of NTNC minutes to officers to review in preparation for placement on the NTNC web site
- VII. Open discussion: none
- VIII. The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m., ET
- IX. Next meeting – February 19, 2009, from 2-4 pm ET