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Dear Colleague:

I am pleased to present the *Menu of Suggested Provisions for State Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Laws* (Menu) prepared by CDC's Division of Tuberculosis Elimination and the Public Health Law Program in collaboration with the National Tuberculosis Controllers Association. In recognition of the important role that law plays in the prevention and control of TB, the Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis (ACET) recommended that CDC develop a model tuberculosis (TB) control act. When we consulted our partners, they expressed preference for a menu of options to be available to the various TB programs. Thus, rather than developing a document following the traditional structure of a model act, we developed a Menu that features a set of alternative provisions for consideration by public health officials and their legal counsel in the enactment, promulgation, amendment, or implementation of TB prevention and control laws.

We are grateful to everyone who collaborated with us on this effort, particularly those who provided invaluable comments and practical insight into the draft menu during our workshop in February. Specific acknowledgements also go to ACET, the Association of Public Health Laboratories TB Steering Committee, and CDC subject matter experts for your feedback and support.

A PDF file with the Menu accompanies this letter. To view the HTML version, please visit the following link: <http://www.cdc.gov/tb/programs/Laws/menu/default.htm>

For questions or comments regarding the Menu, please contact Melisa Thombly at mthombly@cdc.gov or (404) 639-6203. We hope that this Menu will be of immediate practical value to those involved in the legal aspects of TB elimination.

Sincerely,

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