Employee Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Date:

**Employee Signature:** 

## Delaware Department of Education CONFIDENTIAL TUBERCULOSIS (TB) HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE FOR SCHOOL EMPLOYEES<sup>1</sup>

The Delaware Department of Education Regulation  $805^2$  requires all school employees to provide Tuberculosis (TB) Test results during the first 15 days of employment and to be re-screened every five years This form can be used for the following: required screening of all<sup>3</sup> personnel every 5<sup>th</sup> year, by October 15; routine follow-up screening; or screening of a new employee, who has moved to a new district within the 5 year period. This document shall be retained in the same manner as other confidential personnel medical information. This document cannot be used in lieu of TB testing for a new employee. The employee may prefer to provide evidence of TB testing in lieu of completing the questionnaire.

Please consider the following questions and circle only <u>ONE</u> response in the box below<sup>4</sup>

Can you answer "yes" to <i>any</i> of the questions below?			
1.	In the past five years, have you lived or been in close <sup>5</sup> contact with anyone who had		
	active, infectious TB disease?		
2.	Do you currently have any of the following symptoms which are unexplained and		
	which have lasted at least three weeks?		
	Cough Fever		
	Night sweats Weight loss		
3.	Have you ever had a positive HIV test?		
4.	In the past five years, have you ever used illegal intravenous drugs?	YES	NO 🗌
	In the past five years, have you been incarcerated?		
6.	In the past five years, have you been homeless which resulted in living in a shelter or		
	with others outside of your family, who were homeless?		
7.	For the next two questions, have you traveled to any area(s) where TB is common?		
	Per the Delaware Division of Public Health, this includes travel or residency in a		
	country with an elevated TB rate for at least 1 month. This includes any country		
	other than the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, or a country in		
	western or northern Europe		
	• In the past five years, have you stayed/lived in one of these countries for 1 month or longer?		
	• In the past five years, have you lived or been in close contact with someone who stayed/lived in one of these countries for 1 month or longer?		

If you checked YES, you are <u>required</u> (within 2 weeks) to provide verification from a licensed health care provider or the Division of Public Health that there is no communicable threat.

Have you ever had a positive skin test for tuberculosis?

🗌 No

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If you checked <u>ves</u>, you are <u>required</u> to provide documentation related to current disease status prior to your assignment or continued assignment as an employee. If you have provided documentation of completing treatment for active or latent infection, no further documentation is required.

If you have any questions about your risk of infection, please speak with your healthcare provider or contact the Delaware Division of Public Health TB Elimination Program at 302-744-1050.

<sup>4</sup>To maintain confidentiality of medical information, the employee should not provide an individual answer to each question. The employee's response of "yes" indicates that at least *one* of the seven questions is correct, which means a possible exposure. The employee should not indicate which one. The employee may prefer to provide evidence of TB testing in lieu of completing the questionnaire.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Developed and revised in collaboration with the Delaware Division of Public Health: 2/2005, 7/2010, 7/2013, 5/2015, 4/2018, 8/22/2019 <sup>2</sup>Regulation 805 can be accessed at http://www.state.de.us/research/AdminCode/title14/800.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Anyone with a previous positive TB test shall provide updated information regarding disease status and treatment to the public school by October 15 every fifth year if the prescribed treatment was previously contraindicated, incomplete or unknown.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>CDC describes "close contact" as prolonged, frequent, or intense contact with a person with TB, while he/she was infectious.