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World Tuberculosis Day 2012
“Stop TB in My Lifetime”

The Moore County Health Department will mark World TB Day on March 24.

Although Tuberculosis (TB) is both preventable and curable, it remains one of the world’s deadliest diseases. The CDC reports that one third of the world’s population is infected with TB. Each year, nearly 9 million people around the world become sick with TB and there are almost 2 million TB-related deaths worldwide. TB is the leading killer of people who are HIV infected.

World TB Day serves as a reminder that TB is still one of the leading causes of death from infectious disease across the world.

In 2011, Moore County had two cases of active Tuberculosis and an additional seventeen people received preventive treatment”, according to Holly Morgan, Tuberculosis Control Nurse with the Moore County Health Department. “The Moore County Health Department works collaboratively with the North Carolina Public Health TB Control Program and local healthcare providers to conduct outbreak investigations and offer TB screening, evaluation and treatment. With appropriate intervention and management, TB can be cured through treatment and medication, and the spread of disease to other people can be stopped.”

For more information about TB, visit the North Carolina TB Control Program’s web site at www.epi.state.nc.us.epi/tb or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s web site at www.cdc.gov/tb.

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