

# Common Abbreviations in the NWT TB Program

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**AAP**

American Academy of Pediatrics

**AEFI**

Adverse Events Following Immunization

**AFB**

Acid Fast Bacilli

**ARI**

Annual Risk of Infection

**ART**

Antiretroviral Therapy

**AIDS**

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

**ALT**

Alanine Aminotransferase

**AST**

Aspartate Aminotransferase

**ATS**

American Thoracic Society

**BCG**

Bacille Calmette-Guérin

**BID**

Twice Daily

**CDC**

Communicable Disease Control

**CHN**

Community Health Nurse

**CT**

Computed Tomography

**CHR**

Community Health Representative

**CIC**

Citizen and Immigration Canada

**CMI**

Cell-mediated immunity

**CSA**

Canadian Standards Association

**CSR**

Central Supply Room

**CTBRS**

Canadian TB Reporting System

**CTS**

Canadian Tuberculosis Standards

**CXR**

Chest X-ray

**DOPT**

Direct Observed Preventative Treatment

**DOT**

Directly Observed Therapy

**DST**

Drug Susceptibility Testing

**DTH**

Delayed-type hypersensitivity

**EMB**

Ethambutol

**FDA**

Food and Drug Administration

**FLD**

First Line Drugs

**FQN**

Fluoroquinolone

**HCP**

Health Care Provider

**HIV**

Human Immunodeficiency Virus

**HSW**

Home Support Worker

**ICU**

Intensive Care Unit

**IGRA**

Interferon-gamma release assay

**IFN- $\gamma$** 

Interferon-gamma

**IME**

Immigration Medical Examination

**INH**

Isoniazid

**9 INH**

9 months Isoniazid

**IUATLD**

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International Union against Tuberculosis  
and Lung Disease

**ISOPORT**

Portable Isolation Induction Hut

**LTBI**

Latent TB Infection

**LFT**

Liver Function Test

**MDG**

Millennium Development Goals

**MDR TB**

Multidrug-Resistant Tuberculosis

**MMWR**

Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report

**MTB**

Mycobacterium Tuberculosis

**MTBC**

Mycobacterium Tuberculosis Complex

**NTM**

Nontuberculous Mycobacteria Also Known  
As Atypical Mycobacterium

**NWT**

Northwest Territories

**OCPHO**

Office of the Chief Public Health Officer

**OD**

Once Daily

**PA**

Posterior/Anterior

**PAS**

para-Aminosalicylic acid

**PHA**

*Public Health Act*

**PHN**

Public Health Nurse

**PHPW**

Prevention and Health Promotion Worker

**PPD**

Purified protein derivative

**PZA**

Pyrazinamide

**QFT-GIT**

QuantiFERON® -TB Gold In-tube

**RHA**

Regional Health Authorities

**RMP**

Rifampin

**4 RMP**

4 Months Rifampin

**SCIDS**

Severe Combined Immunodeficiency

**SI**

Sputum Induction

**SLD**

Second Line Drugs

**SOB**

Shortness of Breath

**SM**

Streptomycin

**TB**

tuberculosis

**TID**

Thrice Daily

**TNF**

Tumor necrosis factor

**TNF- $\alpha$**

tumor necrosis factor-alpha

**TST**

tuberculin skin test

**UVGI**

Ultra Violet Germicidal Irradiation

**WHO**

World Health Organization

**XDR-TB**

Extensive Drug Resistant TB