

# THE EFFECTIVENESS OF TREATMENT OF PATIENTS WITH NEWLY DETECTED TUBERCULOSIS AND FACTORS, WORSENING IT NOWADAYS

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## *Summary*

The effectiveness of treatment of patients with newly detected tuberculosis was studied. National statistics data were compared with the effectiveness indices of patients which recently completed treatment at hospital. The indices of caverns closure and sputum abacilaton have the tendency to increase in 2001–2006. Nevertheless, the decrease of mentioned indices in several administrative areas require detailed analysis. The significant decrease of caverns closure percentage was due to negative influence of social factors on treatment effectiveness. Authors are convinced that there is sufficient power to detect tuberculosis earlier and to provide care for socially neglected people. It is necessary to develop the program of tuberculosis screening in this group of population with consideration of local peculiarities.