

CURRENT TUBERCULOSIS EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN UKRAINE

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Abstract

The aim of this survey: to analyze current epidemiological situation (morbidity, mortality) of tuberculosis (TB) in Ukraine and compare it with the same over the past few years.

Materials. Official annual reports of medical institutions of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine for the years 2013–2014, the data from analytical and statistical handbook "Tuberculosis in Ukraine" (2014).

Results. Despite certain success epidemiological situation of TB in Ukraine remains complicated. Recent years demonstrated a decrease in morbidity and mortality among adults and children. But the incidence of destructive forms of TB, smear positive TB, mortality within 1 year of follow-up, the incidence of TB among contacts still remain high. Tuberculosis is still considered a socially determined disease. The occurrence of the disease among healthcare professionals is quite often. The indices of the coverage by preventive X-ray examination in adults and tuberculin tests in children aged 0-14 years continue to decline steadily.

Conclusion. Current epidemiological situation of TB requires further improvement of the existing system of detection, diagnosis, treatment, prevention of TB, as well as the reform of public healthcare system and TB control services.

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