THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE TB SERVICE OPERATION IN UKRAINE

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Abstract

The aim — to evaluate state and to reveal the defects of TB service operation in Ukraine in 2005–2014 years.

Materials and methods. Reports of TB institutions were reviewed and statistical analysis of indices was performed.

Results. TB service ineffectiveness in 2005–2014 years was established and main defects of its operation were detected: irrational use of hospital care; the prevalence of in-patient treatment; poor detection and treatment of TB patients (below the WHO limits); ineffectiveness of preventive measures, a low level of immunization coverage of children under 1 year, a gradual decrease of preventive examinations; unsatisfactory level of chemoprophylaxis; ineffectiveness of infection control at institutions; increase in the incidence of contact persons; ineffectiveness of the clinical examination. Analysis has shown the need to reduce the number of beds. The incidence of TB remains high; the incidence of TB/AIDS and number of patients with MDR TB has increased.

Conclusions. It has been demonstrated the ineffectiveness of the TB service in Ukraine. The reorganization and restructuring of TB service in Ukraine is required.

Key words: tuberculosis, indices TB service, reorganization, restructuring.

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