Treatment of Tuberculosis (I)



The standard TB treatment regimen involves use of isoniazid and rifampicin given for six months, with use of pyrazinamide and ethambutol in the first two months.



Directly observed treatment, short course (DOTS) refers to directly observed treatment (DOT) using the standard TB treatment provided by trained healthcare personnel, with systematic evaluation of treatment outcomes.

Standard treatment is given for six months, which may be extended by several months when necessary.

In general, standard TB treatment is very effective with cure in over 95% patients. It may be necessary to use other TB drugs in case of drug resistance and treatment intolerance.

