

Campaigns make noise to raise awareness

MULIKA TB MALIZA TB

Mulika TB! Maliza TB! is Swahili for: Find TB! Treat TB! This innovative campaign is being carried out nationwide to increase awareness and the number of people tested for TB until people with TB are cured. Symbolic TB Torches were released to 10 high-burden counties across Kenya to symbolise the commitment of the government and its partners towards ending TB.

Learn more at

<http://nltp.co.ke/the-mulika-tb-maliza-tb-concept> or look for Mulika Maliza on Facebook.



LOUDER THAN TB is a global campaign sparked by the TB Alliance, uniting private and public partners to raise awareness and noise around this silent killer. Forty organizations are part of **#LoudersThanTB**, including UNITAID, UNICEF, WHO, Médecins sans Frontières, Save the Children, Stop TB Partnership, and dozens more. Its mission: to raise awareness of childhood TB, and to find and cure children with TB with the best solutions available.

Learn more at LoudersThanTB.org, or search **#LoudersThanTB** on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram.



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Is it just a cough?

How to protect your child from TB.



#ChildTBmeds



What is tuberculosis (TB)?

TB is an infection in the lungs that can make you sick. Many people show signs, but for many others, TB hides and may make them sick later. TB spreads from person to person in the air when someone coughs or sneezes. When your child inhales the bacteria in the air, they can become sick too.

Anyone can get TB. Every year, thousands of children in Kenya get TB, and many die. When your child inhales the bacteria in the air, they can become sick too. **But there is good news:** your child can be treated and cured if you get them tested.

What signs to look for



A cough



Loss of weight



Fever or night sweats



Irritability and reduced playfulness

Children can get TB at home, at school, or any other place children spend their time. If you, anyone in the house, at work, or at school have TB, your child might have it too. Some children with TB seem sick, but others do not. If you're not sure, the best way to protect your child is to **ask for a TB check-up**.

TB can be cured

There is now a medicine made just for children. It's a tablet that dissolves in water, and tastes like fruit. So it's easy for the caregiver to give to the child.

TB treatment in all government health facilities is free.

What you should do

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If you have TB or any of the signs of TB, take your children with you to the nearest health facility for testing. Getting them tested can ensure that they receive treatment and get cured if they too have TB.

There are over 4,000 health facilities offering TB services in Kenya.

What to remember



TB can be treated and cured



Anyone can get TB; even children are at risk



If your child, or someone close to them, has signs of TB, get your child tested



In Kenya, child-friendly TB medicines are now available



Make sure you finish the full treatment so that you get rid of all the TB bacteria. This way, you avoid getting TB again



Play it safe—take your child to a health facility