# Responsibilities of the Care Coordinators, Staff Nurses, Counselors and Medical Officers





Care Coordinators, Staff nurses, Counselors and Medical Officers will screen patients for the 4 symptoms of TB *ie.* cough, weight loss, night sweats and fever. If the patient has one or more symptoms, his/her sputum will be sent for CBNAAT testing.

Following CBNAAT testing, if the patient has been identified as an active TB patient then care coordinators, staff nurses, counselors and medical officers will provide initial counseling to patients and do the necessary paperwork.

#### Do not forget to tell the patient!

Take medicine daily and follow the arrow marks when taking medicine

Visit the hospital on the day of completing the 28th dose of the TB medication

Field staff will make a home visit and/or call the patient to ensure adherence and offer counseling

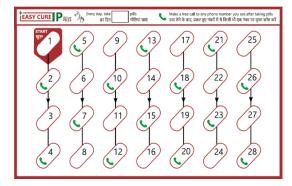
Patient confidentiality will be maintained and the patient phone numbers will not be shared

### Responsibilities of the Pharmacist



The pharmacist will dispense 99DOTS wrapped medication to the patients. He/She will also keep track of the medicine inventory and educate patients.

In the rectangular empty box on the envelope, the pharmacist will write the number of pills the patient must take every day.



NOTE: At times, in the 3 pill and 5 pill pack a single dose can span across more than one blister pack. In that case, patients can call any one of the number revealed for that dose from the new blister pack.

# Responsibilities of the Data Manager



Data Manager will register the patient in the **NIKSHAY** website

He/She has to make sure to enter all phone numbers of a patient and to keep them updated.

New Enrollment page



#### 99DOTS Adherence Calendar





Note- For more details / questions Email – contact@99dots.org WhatsApp - 9611535468

#### What is 99DOTS?

It is a technology which uses phones (mobile/landline) to make TB treatment more convenient for patients, field staff/supervisors and program officers. It helps ensure that TB patients make a full recovery. It enables patients to take their medication and document their dose taken by making a free phone call from anywhere and at anytime.

Home / office / Anywhere



#### **Benefits of 99DOTS**

Patients – Less travel and increased convenience

Field staff/Supervisors – Focused and more efficient care

**Program Officers** – Easy monitoring and accurate reports

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Patient makes a a free call to the revealed toll free number everyday

# Important information to tell your patients about calling the toll free number

Make a free call (from mobile or landline phone) on any one of the the toll free number revealed everyday

Don't add '0' or '91' before the toll free number

Call can be made with no balance and from any city and anytime (no roaming charges)

Call for a day's medication must be made on the same day

Make calls only from the phone (mobile/landline) numbers given to the center

Update phone number with staff when you change your number



Strengthening DOTS through real-time adherence monitoring

# **ART Staff Guidelines**



