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Dear Colleagues,

We are very excited to announce the official release of the revised Report of Verified Case of Tuberculosis (RVCT) instructions.

Many of you participated in one of the RVCT trainings here in Atlanta and Hawaii and may have received a DRAFT copy of the instructions. We have implemented important revisions to the instructions based on your excellent feedback and participation during the reviews, field tests, and trainings.

Please replace any prior version of the RVCT instructions with the new downloadable version.

The RVCT training materials are available free of charge and include the following:

- **RVCT Self-Study Modules Participant Manual** (includes instructions for how to complete the RVCT and exercises)
- **RVCT Self-Study Modules Facilitator Manual** (includes instructions for how to complete the RVCT, exercises, facilitator guide, and other training materials)
- **RVCT Instruction Manual** (includes only instructions for how to complete the RVCT, may be used as a reference guide, and does **not** include the self-study exercises) **(available NOW)**
- **RVCT Self-Study Modules Exercises** (includes only the exercises, may be used and adapted for local jurisdictions, and does **not** include the instructions for how to complete the RVCT)
- **RVCT Materials Description**
- **RVCT Materials CD ROM** (Includes all of the materials listed above)

The attached **List of RVCT Training Materials** document provides a description of the materials and indicates how they can be used, lists the available file formats, and describes how the materials can be downloaded and ordered. Furthermore, the RVCT Self-Study Participant and Facilitator Manuals and the CD ROM can be ordered using the attached **RVCT Materials Order Form**.

Available NOW from the FTP site

The **RVCT Instruction Manual** is available now on the following FTP site (note the spaces in the FTP URL):

[ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Software/TIMS/2009 RVCT Documentation/RVCT Training Materials/](ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Software/TIMS/2009%20RVCT%20Documentation/RVCT%20Training%20Materials/)

Available after June 14, 2009

The other RVCT training materials will be available on the FTP site and can be ordered from CDC after June 14.

Thank you so much for your participation in helping to improve these materials during the past years. We appreciate your patience and support during the process of finalizing these documents.

Sincerely,

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