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## **COVID-19 and Tuberculosis: How the pandemic has impacted TB elimination efforts**

*World TB Day Virtual U.S. Congressional Briefing*

*In cooperation with the TB Elimination Caucus, co-chaired by  
Reps. Ami Bera (D-CA) and Don Young (R-AK) and Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH)*

**Wednesday, March 24, 2021**

**12:30 pm – 1:30 pm EST**

Please join the global TB community on World TB Day for an educational briefing on the COVID-19 pandemic's impacts on domestic and global efforts to control tuberculosis, which prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, was the world's biggest infectious disease killer and continues to be a global driver of antimicrobial resistance. Learn from leading U.S. and global experts on how the pandemic has impacted TB detection, prevention, treatment and the research and development of needed new tools, and the path forward to eliminating TB as a global public health threat.

### **Speakers:**

**Kenneth Castro, MD**, Professor, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University

**Florita Dalida, RN**, Founder, TB HEALS Patient Alliance, Philippines

**Mike Frick**, TB Project Co-Director, Treatment Action Group

**Tereza Kasaeva, MD, PhD**, Director World Health Organization, Global Tuberculosis Programme

**Aakriti Pandita, MD**, Assistant Professor of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases and Hospital Medicine, University of Colorado; TB and COVID-19 Survivor

**Cheri Vincent, MSPH**, TB Division Chief, Office of Infectious Diseases, Bureau for Global Health, U.S. Agency for International Development

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