

# World TB Day 2021

#### The campaign

Every year on March 24, the world spotlights tuberculosis (TB) with World TB Day, a day to increase awareness for TB and stand in solidary with all those affected by this disease. Stop TB Canada is committed to delivering a series of World TB Events annually, to drive forward the fight against TB. Outlined below are the activities that the Stop TB Canada network took part in to commemorate World TB Day 2021. For more details on Stop TB Canada's events, publications and political engagement activities for World TB Day, check out our blog post here!

## Political engagement

- Constituents across Canada wrote to 21 of their members of parliament (MPs) to highlight the urgent need to address TB, at home and abroad.
- In response to our letters, 5 MPs took the time to discuss with us how we can work together to make progress on ending TB. Learn more in our blog.
- Stop TB Canada wrote letters to the <u>Minister of Health</u>, the <u>Minister of International</u>
  <u>Development</u>, the <u>Minister of Indigenous Services</u>, and the <u>Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations</u>, calling for domestic and global action to end TB. You can read each letter through the links provided.

### **Public engagement**

- In collaboration with Results Canada and Partners in Health Canada, Stop TB Canada held the event "Together against TB: A World TB Day discussion on taking action to end TB." If you missed it, check out the <u>recording here</u>.
- Our network also hosted a webinar with York University "Ensuring continued TB services during COVID-19". You can watch the <u>recording here</u>.

## Media engagement

 Ahead of World TB Day, members of our steering committee contributed to 6 Op-eds underlining important issues related to TB. You can read them <a href="here">here</a>!

## **Events held by our partners**

- ZMQ launch of 2 Mobile Toolkits for TB screening and management in India. The screening toolkit was also launched in Uganda.
- McGill's 8th Annual TB Research Day Advocacy Session
- Cultural Conversations TB: The Indigenous Perspective
- Plan International Let's Talk TB