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The way the CDC has decided to approach tuberculosis awareness and prevention, is it’s created these five regional centers across the United States, and we’re the north central center.

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MAYO CLINIC CENTER FOR TUBERCULOSIS
Consultative Care

And we have 3 responsibilities. One of our responsibilities is to do consultative care for health care providers in our states who have somebody with tuberculosis.

**Education**

One of our other responsibilities is education.

**Product Creation**

And then our third charge is to create products that can be helpful for providers who are providing care to people with tuberculosis.

Anytime a question comes in, it will go to one of 6 infectious disease physicians here who happens to be on call for questions that week. That person then collects information from other members of the team.

Then they run it by the rest of the group, so it goes through another group of probably 10 to 15 people, everybody contributes their idea, and then we send back a group answer; sort of a thought-out, methodical answer, and this all usually happens within 24 hours.

We’re very proud of our consultative service, and we’re very proud of the care we can give to the customers in our region.

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