Criteria for Discharge of Active TB Patient*

Pulmonary Disease – Non MDR

- Receiving appropriate treatment for at least 2 weeks
- Clinical improvement
- Sputum smear negative x 3 (q 24 on consecutive days, at least one, preferably all 3, early morning; must be at least 5 ml or induced)

Pulmonary Disease – MDR

- As above, but must also be sputum culture negative x 3

Extrapulmonary Disease

- No restriction once pulmonary disease ruled out

*Final decision on discharge rests with the county and/or state health department