

OUT-PATIENT DIAGNOSIS OF TUBERCULOSIS IN TEEN-AGERS

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Summary

The retrospective evaluation of pulmonary tuberculosis diagnosis criteria in teen-agers was performed. Out of 170 examined patients 66,5 % of patients referred by themselves; in 24,7 % cases the diagnosis was established using fluorography and in 8,8 % — using tuberculin skin testing, considering clinical signs, form and phase of the disease, bacteriological status and peculiarities of tuberculin sensitivity. The data obtained demonstrated unsatisfactory state with timely diagnosis of tuberculosis by means of prophylactic examination of teen-agers using fluorography and tuberculin skin testing. Dominating number disease cases in teen-agers (especially females) were revealed symptomatic, which was an indicator of late detection of tuberculosis.