



Philippine Tuberculosis Society, Inc. 2022 Impact Report

2022, A Year of Change & Evolution

The year 2022 brought about major changes in the Philippine Tuberculosis Society, Inc., for it to adapt to the challenges brought about by the pandemic.

Indeed the Society remains true to its mission-vision to be a leading partner in the elimination of tuberculosis in the Philippines, focusing on the key areas of research, training and clinical management. Yet, 2022 ushered in a new focus and commitment of top leadership in carrying this to fruition.

With the 2022 grand launch of our new strategic direction, anchored on the 7 core values cascaded to all employees, each and every one made a pledge of commitment to always uphold and practice these company core values, which is the essence of PTSI's identity.

As our core values were brought to the fore, strategic pillars were drawn for the successful implementation of TB programs and projects. This, in a nutshell, is a glimpse of 2022. As we build on our past, we steadfastly face our future and the challenges it brings. We continue to evolve to best serve the country and our fellow Filipinos living with TB.



Patient-centered



Caring



Integrity



Stewardship



Innovation



Collaboration



Competence

VISION

The leading partner in the elimination of TB in the Philippines.

MISSION

PTSI takes a leading role in the elimination of TB in the Philippines by being a trusted, valued, proactive and reliable partner for all key stakeholders in the country. We believe that the elimination of TB will bring not only a better quality of life for Filipinos but will also add significantly to our socio-economic development.

We are committed to achieve this Mission by focusing on several key areas where we believe PTSI can take leadership in:

RESEARCH



**CLINICAL
MANAGEMENT**



TRAINING



**INNOVATIVE
COMMUNITY
APPROACHES**



PTSI will commit the needed resources, financial and human, as well as the focus, commitment and engagement of top leadership in achieving this Mission.

Dr. Camilo C. Roa, Jr.

President



To all of PTISI's dear and loyal supporters,

My heartfelt thank you for the continuing help you have extended to our organization. The Philippine Tuberculosis Society, Inc. stands unwavering in its desire to pursue its mission and vision of being a leading partner in the elimination of TB in the Philippines, focusing on TB research, training, clinical management and innovative community engagement approaches.

Since the birth of our Society on the 29th of July 1910, PTISI has remained dedicated in its efforts to alleviate the sufferings of our fellow Filipinos afflicted with tuberculosis through its various TB programs.

As a Filipino and a concerned citizen, more so as a doctor in the field of respiratory diseases, I believe that we each have our own role to play in the continuing battle to fight tuberculosis, a disease which still boasts of claiming 70 Filipino lives daily. Together then as a community and as a nation, let us join hands in this unrelenting pursuit of finally having a TB-free Philippines.

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Ronald A. Vergel De Dios

Executive Director

The year 2022 for PTSI can be summed up in a wise quote by Mahatma Gandhi, “Be the change that you wish to see in the world.”

Thus PTSI embarked on a re-invigorated mission for this year. With the grand launching of our 7 company core values last July, PTSI’s Executive Leadership Team ensured that the same was cascaded to all employees, for them to imbibe these values which are so essential in the successful pursuit of PTSI’s TB programs and projects.

Our 2022 achievements centered more on TB health education and active case finding initiatives, especially for the undetected ones, which often represent the crucial missing link for the success of TB elimination. With the help of our network of TB branch clinics nationwide, delivery of our TB services to the underserved communities was enhanced.

Our Society’s core values go hand in hand with its strategic imperatives of Research & Training, Clinical Management, Innovative Community Approaches, Stakeholder Engagement and Organizational Effectiveness. To maximize the impact of our limited resources, capacity building in these areas is relentlessly pursued.

Nevertheless, we believe that harnessing our individual best efforts will determine whether we win or lose this critical fight against TB. Join us as we tackle on these challenges beyond 2022. To all our partners, donors and supporters, a big thank you! And together, let us move onwards towards a victory over TB!



Our Legacy

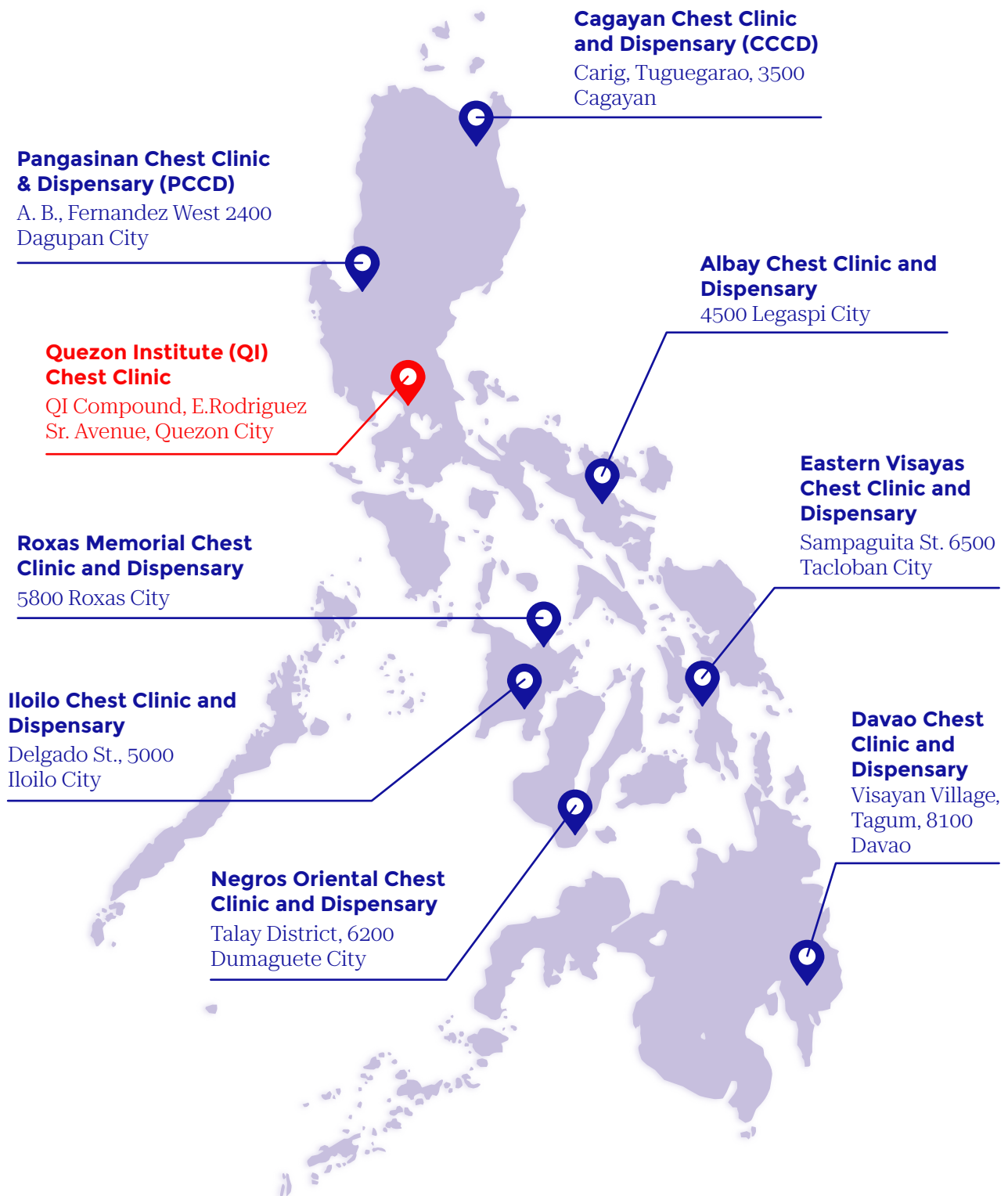


Milestones

- 1910** Was founded on July 29, 1910 as The Philippine Islands Anti-Tuberculosis Society (PIATS).
- 1911** Admits its first TB patient to the San Juan Sanatorium.
- 1918** The Santol Sanatorium is opened in Balik-balik, Manila.
- 1927** Gets its first diagnostic X-ray unit.
- 1934** Becomes a major beneficiary of the Sweepstakes Law (Republic Act No. 4130).
- 1938** The Santol Sanatorium is renamed "Quezon Institute" and the Philippine Islands Anti-Tuberculosis Society is likewise renamed to "The Philippine Tuberculosis Society".
- 1942 - 1945** The Quezon Institute was occupied first by the Japanese then American forces as a military hospital during World War II.

- 1960** Incorporated as it is now known as the Philippine Tuberculosis Society Inc. (PTSI).
- 1977** Establishes the National Institute of Tuberculosis (NIT) together with the Department of Health (DOH) and the World Health Organization (WHO).
- 1983** The first National TB Prevalence Survey was conducted by the NIT.
- 1987** First adopts the Directly Observed Treatment Short Course or DOTS treatment as approved by the WHO.
- 1996** Its National Research and Training Center and Central Laboratory are established.
- 2003** Medicos del Mundo of Spain sponsors the renovation of the PTSI's Central Laboratory, establishing it as one of the leading TB laboratories in the country.
- 2007** Develops a program against multidrug-resistant TB (MDR-TB).
- 2008** Manages the TB in Prisons Program.
- 2011** Acquires its first Gene Xpert machine for a faster diagnosis of TB.
- 2019** Organizes and hosts the 7th Union Asia Pacific Regional Conference with the PhilCAT, DOH and WHO, among other organizations.
- 2020** Opened its doors to COVID-19 patients in partnership with JRMMC, DOH and DPWH, hosting a COVID-19 modular hospital and dormitory, a treatment and quarantine facility for moderate to severe COVID cases.
- 2023** Now on its 113th year, PTSI remains an active participant in the National Tuberculosis Program of the DOH as it continues to receive and provide support for various TB initiatives across the Philippines.

PTSI Branch Clinics



 **TB Special Facility**

 **Chest Clinics and Dispensaries**

Our Services

PTSI makes critical TB services accessible to underserved Filipinos, committed to its mission of being an active partner of the government in the detection, treatment, and control of TB in the country.



Patient - centered care is the core of PTSI in bringing health services to patients through active TB case finding activities in barangays and schools through the Community Outreach Program Education (COPE) with free diagnostic services (chest X-ray) in barangays, workplaces and schools. Free TB treatment and monitoring is offered in all PTSI chest clinics, with doctor consultations and the Directly-Observed Treatment Short-Course (DOTS) or Tutok-Gamutan facility for active TB patients. Moreover, TB preventive treatment (TPT) is provided to the patient's family and other close contacts. PTSI serves as treatment partner of the patient and their families throughout the whole TB cascade of care from diagnosis, treatment and management.



The Quezon Institute (QI) located in PTSI National Office is equipped with a GeneXpert rapid diagnostic test for TB detection. QI Laboratory is an accredited center by the National TB Reference Laboratory (NTRL) for TB drug susceptibility testing. It also provides training of TB laboratory workers, case finding activities and serves as a validation center for TB microscopy network. Moreover, QI has a mobile x-ray van for mass chest screenings in communities, workplaces and schools.

A TB Survivor's Success Story

I am Niño Magpusao, 33 years old and currently residing in Tondo, Manila. It was in 2008 when I was first diagnosed with Drug-Susceptible Tuberculosis (DSTB). Devastated at a young age of 18 years, I underwent treatment at our Barangay Health Center TBDOTS for 6 months, but due to my lack of knowledge on the importance of faithfully following my treatment regimen, I was not fully cured of my TB. Instead in 2009, the disease came back with a vengeance, as it had now progressed to the more severe Drug-Resistant Tuberculosis (DRTB).

Undoubtedly experiencing one of the darkest moments in my life, I turned for help to the Kabalikatan sa Kalusugan (KASAKA) in PTSI, where I was given a second round of TB treatment which lasted for 22 months. With the dedication of the incredible nurses and doctors at KASAKA, I was finally able to overcome the disease, and henceforth have remained TB free for the past 12 years up to this day. I am now a proud TB advocate, currently working as the Vice President and Communications Head of TBpeople Philippines. I am likewise actively involved in the HealthyLungs.PH- TBFreePH campaign, among the partners of PTSI in spreading TB awareness and education for all.



As a TB advocate, one of the most memorable moments I had while working with PTSI happened when I had the chance to participate in the Active Case Findings activity, which took place at the Justice Cecilia Muñoz Palma Senior High School in Payatas, Quezon City last November 7, 2022. It was the perfect opportunity to reach out and provide support on a personal level to those who were struggling with TB, offering them hope and encouragement to overcome their illness.

PTSI has played a pivotal role in empowering advocates like myself in making a difference in our communities. Understanding the importance of sharing our stories and providing education about TB, PTSI enables us to effectively raise awareness and combat the stigma associated with tuberculosis. Overall, my experience as a TB advocate has taught me the immense power of empathy and compassion.

Looking back, I remember those days when I was a DRTB patient and being treated at the KASAKA for 2 years (2009-2011). I longed to step inside the walls of PTSI's grand historical buildings and hospital facility. My wish was realized in 2022 when, as now an officer of TBpeoplePH, our organization had the opportunity to collaborate with PTSI. As I walked through its hallways, it felt like stepping into a world of hope and healing, where doctors and patients worked hand in hand to combat tuberculosis.

My journey as a TB advocate continues, and I am grateful for organizations like PTSI that support and believe in these efforts. Together, we work towards a future where tuberculosis will no longer be a burden for individuals and communities, and where everyone receives the care and understanding they truly deserve.

Achievements



Finding missing TB Cases

For the year 2022, PTSI's strategic direction leaned towards the support of its clinics, especially case findings in underserved communities, workplaces, and schools.

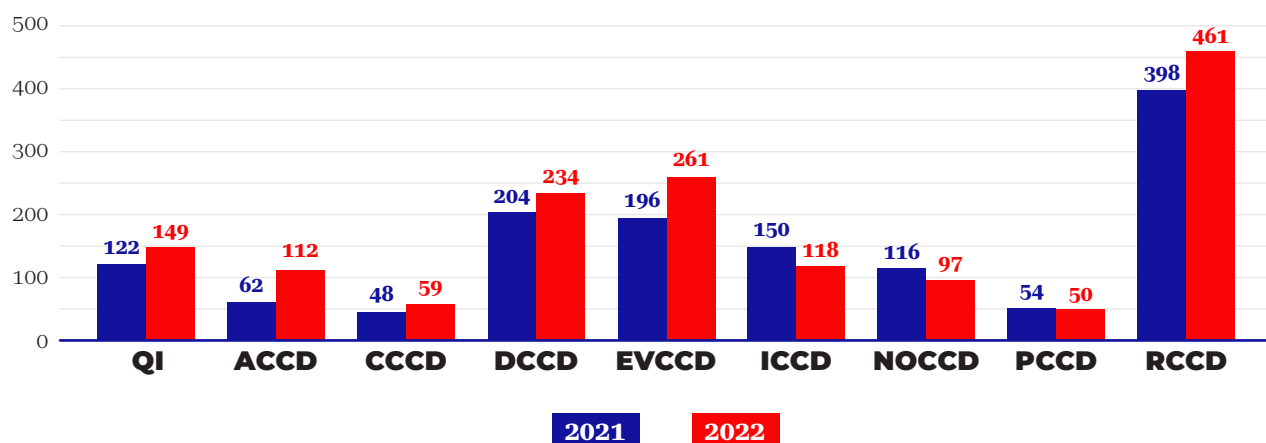
Key Indicator:

2021 vs. 2022 TB performance growth

| TB indicators | 2021 Performance | 2022 Performance | % Growth |
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| Number of consultations (only QI reported) | 3,086 | 3,657 | 18.5% |
| Number of x-ray examinations | Inc. report | 7,701 | |
| Number of presumptive TB | 4,143 | 6,217 | 50% |
| Number of notified TB cases | 1,324 | 1,541 | 16.4% |
| Treatment success rate | | | |
| DSTB | > 90% | 93% | |
| DRTB | No report | 85% | |
| TB preventive treatment | 51 | 209 | 400% |

Notified TB cases, by QI and Provincial branches

2021 - 2022



Intensified Community Engagement

Community engagement activities such as adopt-a-barangay, mobilization of the youth volunteers, and service expansion to marginalized settings such as homes for the aged, prisons / jails, and workplaces were pursued.

Volunteers, mostly barangay health workers, were trained to execute case finding activities in the communities.

PTSI's provincial branches also coordinated with the private physicians and hospitals that resulted in referrals of persons with presumptive TB to the clinics.

TB health education activities were stepped up particularly during the celebration of World TB Day on March 24 and the National Lung Month in August.

Besides these, radio TB programs were aired, and free or discounted chest x-rays for indigent patients were offered by QI and PTSI's eight provincial branch clinics.



Special Projects

Active Case Finding Among Youth in Roxas City and Dumaguete City

PTSI and Johnson & Johnson Philippines entered into a partnership on active case finding among the youth in Roxas and Dumaguete cities. With a target population of the youth ages 15-24, the project specifically aims to increase TB case finding and close contact tracing, with the end goal of improving awareness and proper TB health education.

Adopted barangays Punta Tabuc and Barangay IX in Roxas City, and Barangay Cadawinonan in Dumaguete City are the project sites where activities such as TB capacity building/training of Barangay Health Workers(BHW) and Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) officials, as well as house to house visits to disseminate TB health education were conducted. On its part, PTSI provided the following support services: X-ray services to 1,761 youth in the 3 adopted barangays, GeneXpert testing for the youth with suspected TB and the provision of TB drugs for the entire treatment regimen. Close contacts of TB patients will undergo contact tracing and preventive treatment to stop the further spread of infection.



Justice Cecilia Muñoz Palma Senior High School Active Case Finding

In partnership with the Justice Cecilia Muñoz Palma Foundation, PTSI conducted case finding activities that provided free chest x-ray screening to hundreds of students, faculty, and staff of the Justice Cecilia Muñoz-Palma Senior High School, situated at Barangay Payatas, Quezon City, which is supported by and named in honor of the late Supreme Court Justice Palma, who was one of PTSI's well-respected presidents.



Partnerships for an Expanded TB Advocacy

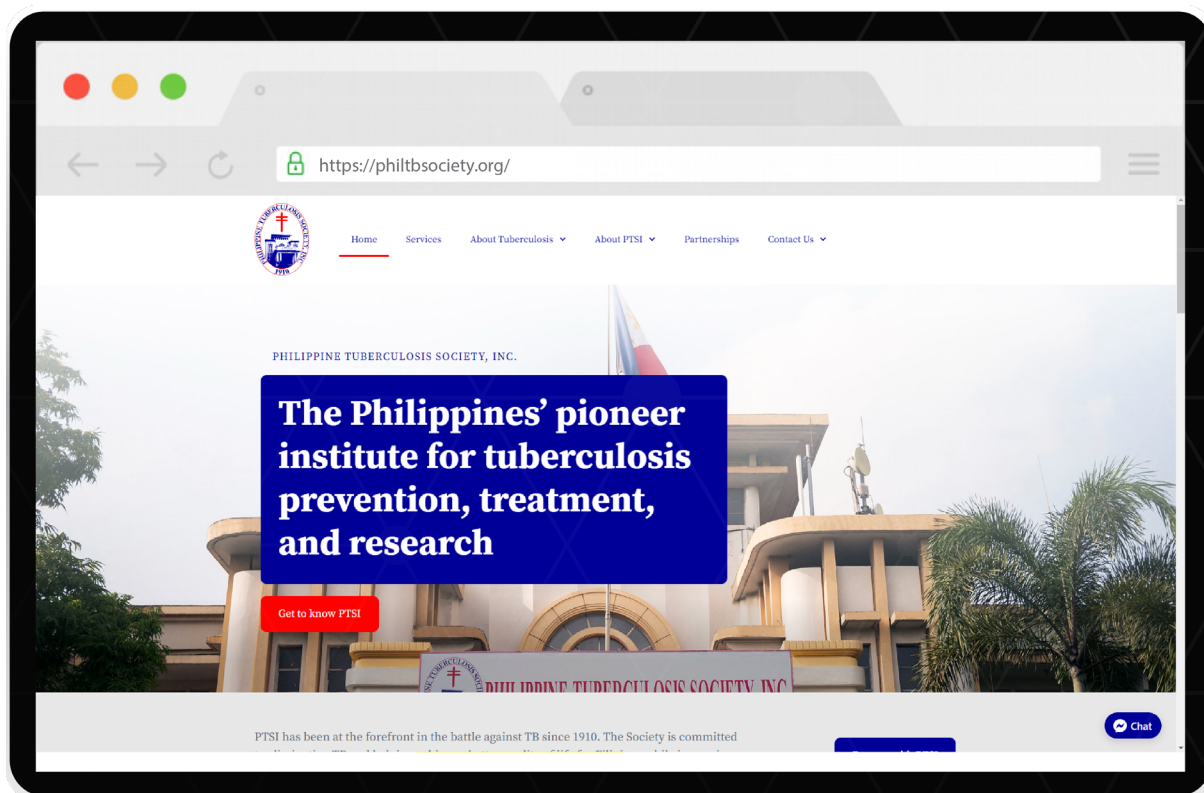
PTSI served as an outreach partner for TB advocacy drives, such as the 2nd Asia Pacific Tuberculosis Forum with AVPN and the Johnson & Johnson Philippines TB Warriors Online Advocacy Game.

Partnerships with the private sector like FHI 360 and TB People Philippines were established, while coordination with the Integrated Midwives Association of the Philippines and Association of Philippine Schools of Midwifery has been started.



Enhanced Social Media Presence

A new PTSI website was developed and re-launched, together with an improved Facebook page account with regular posts, faster response to queries, and an online promo/order facility of the Fund-Raising department's TB Seals.



ANNUAL LAUNCH OF TB SEALS

Each year, the Philippine Tuberculosis Society Inc. (PTSI) launches its TB Seals, with a design and theme which serves to inspire not just Filipinos but peoples all over the world. The TB Seal campaign began on the very year that PTSI was born (1910), with a goal to raise the much needed funds for its TB programs. PTSI's TB seals have since gained global recognition as it has won major awards in the Christmas Seals Contest held by The Union, an international organization committed to helping prevent and control tuberculosis and other lung diseases globally. The artistic design of the TB Seal is conceptualized by a group of dedicated and civic- spirited volunteers who comprise the Society's TB Seal Committee namely Al Perez, Dr. Ngo Tiong Tak, Engr. Romeo Ranjo, Al Meriales, Robert Araos and is currently chaired by Manuel Baldemor, one of the Philippines' notable and renowned artists. PTSI's TB Seals are now a part of the Society's tradition, a valued legacy handed down through generations.

For the year 2022, our TB seal entitled "Filipino Christmas Traditions" was officially launched on December 7, 2022 at PTSI's Julia Vargas Hall. Members of the TB Seal committee, the contributing artists and other guests from the world of art were in attendance. PTSI's 2022 TB Seal "Filipino Christmas Traditions", highlights the positive spirit that Christmas brings to each and every one. It is a shout-out to the world that the Filipinos' hope for a brighter future will never fade.





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Chest Clinics and Dispensaries

PTSI - Albay Chest Clinic and Dispensary (ACCD)

- EM's Barrio 1, Legazpi City, Albay
- Open Monday to Friday (8:00 AM – 4:30 PM)
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PTSI - Cagayan Chest Clinic and Dispensary (CCCD)

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PTSI - Davao Chest Clinic and Dispensary (DCCD)

- Purok Cattleya, Visayan Village, Tagum City, Davao del Norte
- Open Monday to Friday (8:00 AM – 3:30 PM)
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PTSI - Eastern Visayas Chest Clinic and Dispensary (EVCCD)

- Sampaguita Village, Brgy. 59-A, Sagkahan, Tacloban City
- Open Monday to Friday (8:00 AM – 4:30 PM)
- (053) 832-2662 / 0927 559 0481
- ptsi.evccd@philtbsociety.org

PTSI - Iloilo Chest Clinic and Dispensary (ICCD)

- Delgado Street, Iloilo City
- Open Monday to Friday (8:00 AM – 4:30 PM)
- (033) 337-3706 / 0956 348 9008 / 0970 745 6949
- ptsi.iccd@philtbsociety.org

PTSI - Negros Oriental Chest Clinic and Dispensary (NOCCD)

- Upper Talay, Purok Mangga, Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental
- Open Monday to Friday (8:30 AM – 4:30 PM)
- (035) 225-5094 / (035) 522-9853
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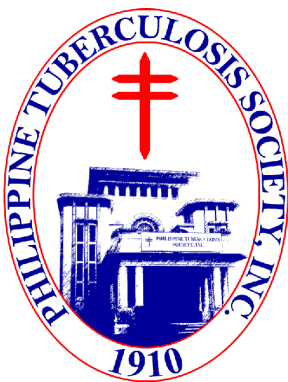
Negros Oriental Chest Clinic and Dispensary

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