

Supplementary Material

Supplementary S1

SURVEY PARENTS

- 1) Gender
 - Female Male
- 2) Age
 - ≤ 30 yrs 31-40 yrs 41-50 yrs > 50 yrs
- 3) Educational level
 - Primary school Lower secondary school Upper secondary school Higher education (degree and Ph.D)
- 4) Which grade does your child attend?
 - 1st grade 2nd grade 3rd grade 4th grade 5th grade
- 5) How many hours per week did your child spend in close contact with the primary tuberculosis case?
 - None Less than one From one to five From six to ten More than ten
- 6) Did you know about tuberculosis as a disease before the recent events occurred at school?
 - Yes No
- 7) Were you aware of tuberculosis cases in your province of residence in the last 2 years?
 - Yes No
- 8) What was your perception of risk when you became aware of these tuberculosis cases?
 - No risk Low risk Moderate risk High risk
- 9) What is your current perception of risk also considering the interventions carried out by the LHA?
 - No risk Low risk Moderate risk High risk
- 10) Do you think the intervention of the LHA following the notification of the first case of tuberculosis was timely?
 - Yes No
- 11) Were the meetings with the LHA operators useful in clearly defining the situation?
 - Yes No
- 11.1) If you answered No to the previous question, what do you think was missing?
 - I wanted more meetings Conflicting explanations were given The meetings were delayed
 - Communication was not transparent The risk was underestimated Other
- 12) What aspect of the current tuberculosis outbreak caused you the greatest concern?
 - The number of notified cases The type of disease
 - The fact that it happened at school The fear of being affected by tuberculosis Other fears
- 12.1) If you answered Other fears, specify your greatest concern _____
- 13) Which sources of information did you preferentially use to find out about the disease and its possible consequences?
 - Institutional websites (Ministry of Health, Epicentro website of the National Health Institute)
 - Search on specialized websites Social networks Television and newspapers
 - Healthcare staff of Local Health Authority General practitioner and pediatrician
 - Other healthcare professional Other people

SURVEY SCHOOL STAFF

1) Gender

- Female Male

2) Age

- ≤ 30 yrs 31-40 yrs 41-50 yrs > 50 yrs

3) Occupation

- Teacher Auxiliary staff

4) In which grade do you teach or carry out activities?

- 1st grade 2nd grade 3rd grade 4th grade 5th grade

5) How many hours per week did you spend in close contact with the primary tuberculosis case?

- None Less than one From one to five From six to ten More than ten

6) Did you know about tuberculosis as a disease before the recent events occurred at school?

- Yes No

7) Were you aware of tuberculosis cases in your province of residence in the last 2 years?

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13) Which sources of information did you preferentially use to find out about the disease and its possible consequences?

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Table S2: Sign test of matched pairs and Wilcoxon matched-pairs signed-ranks test for parents

Sign	Observed, n	Expected, n	Sum ranks, n	Expected, n
positive	375	231.5	192583	118528
negative	88	231.5	44473	118528
zero	280	280	39340	39340
all	743	743	276396	276396

Sign test

Two-sided test:

Ho: median of risk_perceptionT0 – risk_perceptionT1 = 0 vs.

Ha: median of risk_perceptionT0 – risk_perceptionT1 != 0

Pr(#positive >= 375 or #negative >= 375) =

$\min(1, 2 * \text{Binomial}(n = 463, x \geq 375, p = 0.5)) < 0.0001$

Sign rank

unadjusted variance 34250071

adjustment for ties -853220.5

adjustment for zeros -1839145

adjusted variance 31557706

Ho: risk_perceptionT0 = risk_perceptionT1

z = 13.183

Prob > |z| < 0.0001

Table S3: Sign test of matched pairs and Wilcoxon matched-pairs signed-ranks test for school staff

Sign	Observed, n	Expected, n	Sum ranks, n	Expected, n
positive	27	15.5	1310	744
negative	4	15.5	178	744
zero	32	32	528	528
all	63	63	2016	2016

Sign test

Two-sided test:

Ho: median of risk_perceptionT0 – risk_perceptionT1 = 0 vs.

Ha: median of risk_perceptionT0 – risk_perceptionT1 ≠ 0

Pr(#positive ≥ 27 or #negative ≥ 27) =

$\min(1, 2 * \text{Binomial}(n = 31, x \geq 27, p = 0.5)) < 0.0001$

Sign rank

unadjusted variance 21336.00

adjustment for ties -294.50

adjustment for zeros -2860.00

adjusted variance 18181.50

Ho: risk_perceptionT0 = risk_perceptionT1

z = 4.198

Prob > |z| < 0.0001