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- (1) timely detection of new cases (to prevent further transmission and prevent patients from developing disabilities);
- (2) ensuring that all new patients who start multidrug therapy complete the full course of treatment within a reasonable period of time;
- (3) ensuring that no patient develops new and/or additional disabilities during treatment and after release from treatment.