

Diagnosis
mainly done
within
district
hospitals
except in
urban
Lilongwe
and Blantyre

Chronic cough cases

Submit 3 sputum specimens
(Spot, early morning and spot)

Smear microscopy with ZN stain

Repeated visits,
opportunity costs;
transport costs leading to
delay and lost cases

Smear positive

Register and treat for TB

Smear negative

Chest X-Ray

PTB

Register and treat for TB

No PTB

Other management

Lost cases

=15% nationwide

