

A person visited the eighth floor at the Wan Chai Immigration Tower tested positive for COVID-19

Immigration Department (ImmD) today (May 5) said the department was notified by the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) yesterday (May 4) that an applicant had briefly visited the Hong Kong Registration of Persons Office on the eighth floor of the Immigration Tower on April 21 had been tested positive for COVID-19.

The person concerned approached the office for identity card registration formalities on the captioned date and briefly stayed there for around 15 minutes. Three ImmD staff were classified by CHP as close contacts and arranged to undergo compulsory quarantine and medical surveillance. Arising from another tested positive case as notified by CHP, the office had arranged thorough cleaning and sterilization on April 23 and April 26 respectively, and all staff had undergone COVID-19 testing in accordance with the CHP's advice.

During the situation of COVID-19 infection, the department has been strictly implementing various disease prevention measures, including measuring the body temperature of and providing alcohol-based handrub to all persons before their entry into the building, providing employees with masks and other protective equipment, requiring employees to wear masks when performing duties, and stepping up the cleaning and sterilising measures for the working environment.

The department will continue to maintain close liaison with the CHP, actively co-operate with CHP's quarantine arrangements and has also reminded its staff to pay attention to personal hygiene and stay vigilant. Staff have been reminded to seek medical advice and inform the department as soon as possible if feeling unwell.