

CMO confirms fourth case of coronavirus in England



A further patient has tested positive for novel coronavirus in England, bringing the total number of cases in the UK to four.

The new case is a known contact of a previously confirmed UK case, and the virus was passed on in France.

Experts at Public Health England continue to work hard tracing patient contacts from the UK cases. They successfully identified this individual and ensured the appropriate support was provided.

The patient has been transferred to a specialist NHS centre at The Royal Free Hospital, and we are now using robust infection control measures to prevent any possible further spread of the virus. The NHS is extremely well prepared to manage these cases and treat them, and we are working quickly to identify any further contacts the patient has had. This patient followed NHS advice by self-isolating rather than going to A&E. For the latest advice visit [gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus).

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