

DH's Tsuen Wan Dental Clinic and Li Po Chun Dental Clinic to be closed for disinfection

The Department of Health (DH) today (February 22) said its Tsuen Wan Dental Clinic (TWDC) and Li Po Chun Dental Clinic (LPCDC) have to be closed today and tomorrow (February 23) respectively for thorough cleaning and disinfection after a staff member of each clinic tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus. Affected clients have been contacted to reschedule their service appointments.

The two staff members concerned working at TWDC and LPCDC are both responsible for cleaning and support duties. They wore appropriate personal protective equipment while performing duties and last performed duties on February 21. They both sought medical attention and underwent testing on that day, and were informed today that they tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus.

The DH's Centre for Health Protection has initiated an epidemiological investigation on the relevant cases, and relevant contact tracing is ongoing. In view of the epidemic situation, the DH's dental clinics have stepped up infection control measures, including temperature screening for all visitors before clinic entry, conducting health declarations and rescheduling the appointments of patients with higher transmission risk (e.g. persons subject to compulsory testing). The Dental Services have been strictly implementing various disease prevention measures during the epidemic, which include providing employees with masks and other protective equipment, and stepping up the cleaning and sanitising measures of the clinics. All staff members are wearing masks at work and practising hand hygiene at all times. The DH is highly concerned about the COVID-19 situation and has reminded all staff again to maintain personal hygiene and be vigilant at all times. If feeling unwell, they should seek medical attention immediately.