Hong Kong Children's Hospital announces outpatient tested positive for COVID-19

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Hong Kong Children's Hospital (HKCH) made the following announcement today (February 4) regarding an outpatient who tested positive for COVID-19:

A 7-month-old baby girl and her mother attended dietitian consultation in the integrated rehabilitation centre of HKCH on January 26. HKCH was notified on February 3 by the Centre for Health Protection that they were confirmed to be positive for COVID-19 on February 2. No high-risk medical procedures were performed on the patient, but she could not wear a mask during the consultation. As a precautionary consideration, a dietitian and a patient care assistant who attended to her without appropriate eye protection were classified as close contacts who require quarantine.

HKCH's infection control team has conducted contact tracing. No other staff or patients are classified as close contacts so far.

Thorough cleaning and disinfection have been performed in the centre and its operation remains normal. HKCH will continue to communicate with the Centre for Health Protection on the latest situation.