

## Hospital Authority announces positive patient cases detected via admission screening or testing and clusters of nosocomial COVID-19 infections

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority today (August 25) announced information regarding patients who tested positive via admission screening or testing with patients or staff members identified as close contacts and nosocomial COVID-19 infection cases.

The following are the statistics of patients who tested positive via admission screening or by testing in public hospitals with patients or staff members identified as close contacts:

Hospital/clinic	Number of patients who tested positive	Number of patients identified as close contacts	Number of staff members without appropriate personal protective equipment identified as close contacts
Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital	2	2	–
Queen Elizabeth Hospital	1	4	–
Princess Margaret Hospital	1	2	–
Yan Chai Hospital	1	2	–
Shatin Hospital	1	1	–
Tuen Mun Hospital	1	1	–

The following are the statistics of clusters of nosocomial infection cases in public hospitals:

Hospital/clinic	Number of patients who tested positive	Number of staff members who tested positive
Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital	–	2

In addition, a 74-year-old female patient in a medicine and geriatrics ward of Tuen Mun Hospital tested positive for COVID-19 on August 21. The hospital commenced a contact tracing investigation. Four more female patients, aged 57 to 95, also tested positive. Five patients are being treated in isolation and are in stable condition.

Furthermore, a staff member in a medicine and geriatrics ward of Pok Oi Hospital tested positive for COVID-19 yesterday (August 24). The hospital commenced a contact tracing investigation. Two more male patients, aged 69 and 80, and a staff member also tested positive. Both patients are being treated in isolation and are in stable condition. Both staff members are also in stable condition.

The hospitals are investigating the linkage of the cases concerned. Admission and visiting arrangements for the wards concerned have been suspended. Thorough cleaning and disinfection operations have been conducted. Testing has been arranged for patients and staff members of the wards concerned. The hospitals will closely monitor the health condition of patients and staff, and communicate with the Centre for Health Protection on the latest situation.