

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 30) 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 |
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| Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital | 1 | 1 | – |
| Tseung Kwan O Hospital | 1 | 2 | – |
| Tuen Mun Hospital | 2 | 3 | – |
| Tin Shui Wai Hospital | 1 | 2 | – |

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 |
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| Prince of Wales Hospital | 1 | – |
| Cheshire Home, Shatin | 1 | – |

In addition, a 76-year-old male patient in a medicine and geriatrics

ward of Princess Margaret Hospital tested positive for COVID-19 on August 27. The hospital commenced a contact tracing investigation. Six more male patients, aged 46 to 83, and three staff members also tested positive. Seven patients are being treated and are in isolation in stable condition. The three staff members are also in stable condition.

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