

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 (May 28) 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
Kwong Wah Hospital	1	1	–
Tuen Mun Hospital	1	1	–

Thorough cleaning and disinfection operations have been performed in the affected areas by the hospitals. The hospitals will continue to closely monitor the health conditions of patients and staff members, and communicate with the Centre for Health Protection on the latest situation.

In addition, a staff member from the Haven of Hope Hospital (HHH) catering department has tested positive through rapid antigen test on May 26. The building he lives in was listed in the compulsory testing notice earlier. The hospital infection control team conducted contact tracing accordingly and has identified four more staff members from the catering department confirmed positive to COVID-19.

These four staff members had meal or stayed in the same accommodation with the confirmed staff. Seven other staff members have been identified as close contacts and will be quarantined.

All staff members working in the catering department wore appropriate personal protective equipment in accordance with infection control guidelines. As precautionary measure, operation of the catering department has been temporarily suspended, thorough cleaning and disinfection has been arranged and environmental samples taken from the department were all tested negative to COVID-19.

The Kowloon East Cluster will support catering services for patients in the HHH and services are not affected.

The HHH will continue to closely monitor the health of the staff and patients and communicate with the Centre for Health Protection about the latest situation.