

Hospital Authority announces staff members confirmed or preliminarily confirmed as COVID-19 cases

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority (HA) today (February 10) announced that the following staff members have been confirmed or preliminarily confirmed as having COVID-19 infection:

Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital (PYNEH)	Three supporting staff members
Ruttonjee Hospital	A nurse
Sai Wan Ho General Out-patient Clinic	A nurse
Hong Kong Children's Hospital	A nurse
Hong Kong Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service	A medical technologist
Caritas Medical Centre	An administrative staff member
Kwai Chung Hospital	A nurse
Prince of Wales Hospital	A nurse
Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital	A physiotherapist
United Christian Nethersole Community Health Service – The Chinese University of Hong Kong Chinese Medicine Clinic cum Training and Research Centre in Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital	An administrative staff member
North District Hospital	A doctor and a supporting staff member
Tuen Mun Hospital	A nurse and two administrative staff members
Pok Oi Hospital	A nurse
Tin Shui Wai Hospital	A nurse
Castle Peak Hospital	A nurse and a supporting staff member
Yan Oi General Out-patient Clinic	A supporting staff member

The hospitals concerned have conducted contact tracing as required and arranged cleaning for disinfection. All related staff members had worn

appropriate personal protective equipment at work. No patient has been identified as a close contact so far. Since some of the above-mentioned staff members had been eating or chatting with other staff members without wearing masks, 24 staff members have been identified as close contacts. Arrangements will be made for them to be quarantined and tested as required.

Regarding a patient care assistant (PCA) and a 62-year-old male patient of a psychogeriatric ward of PYNEH who tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19 recently, the hospital has conducted contact tracing. A PCA of the Physiotherapy Department who worked in the ward tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19. The hospital is still investigating the linkage among the three cases. The PCA concerned is being treated under isolation with stable condition. Admission to the ward concerned has continued to be suspended. Thorough cleaning and disinfection were arranged for the ward concerned and the Physiotherapy Department.

The Physiotherapy Department in Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital was closed today for deep cleaning and disinfection. About 200 patient appointments were rescheduled.

In light of the deteriorating epidemic situation, the HA again reminds its staff to minimise social activities and avoid having meals with other staff members. Staff members should also wear appropriate personal protective equipment at work.