Hospital Authority announces staff members confirmed/ preliminary confirmed due to home or community contacts

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority today (February 9) announced that the following staff members are confirmed or preliminarily confirmed for COVID-19 infection due to their home or community contacts.

Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital	A nurse and three supporting staff
Queen Mary Hospital	A physiotherapist
The Duchess of Kent Children's Hospital at Sandy Bay	A supporting staff
Hong Kong Children's Hospital	An administrative staff
Hong Kong Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service	An administrative staff
Kowloon Hospital	A nurse
Queen Elizabeth Hospital	A nurse and a supporting staff
Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Wong Tai Sin Hospital	A supporting staff
Wu York Yu General Out-patient Clinic	A nurse
United Christian Hospital	A nurse and two supporting staff
Caritas Medical Centre	Two nurses and two supporting staff
Kwai Chung Hospital	A doctor
Princess Margaret Hospital	A nurse, a nursing student and a supporting staff
Yan Chai Hospital	An outsourced supporting staff
South Kwai Chung Jockey Club General Out-patient Clinic	A nurse
North District Hospital	An outsourced supporting staff
Tuen Mun Hospital	Two nurses, an allied health staff and a supporting staff

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 close contact so far. Since some of the abovementioned staff members had been eating or chatting with other staff members without wearing

masks, 17 staff members had been identified as close contacts. They will be arranged to be quarantined and be tested as required.

As the physiotherapy department in Queen Mary Hospital and Tsan Yuk Hospital had to be closed today for deep cleaning and disinfection, about 50 patient appointments were rescheduled to the next week.

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.