Hospital Authority staff members confirmed or preliminarily confirmed as having COVID-19 infection due to their home or community contact

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority today (February 5) announced that the following staff members are confirmed or preliminarily confirmed for COVID-19 infection due to their home or community contacts.

- One operation assistant of Tuen Mun Hospital;
- One locum nurse of Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital;
- One phlebotomist of Prince of Wales Hospital; and
- One operation assistant of Ruttonjee & Tang Shiu Kin Hospitals.

All preliminarily confirmed staff members had been transferred to hospitals for treatment under isolation. Hospitals concerned have conducted contact tracing according to operation need and to arrange cleaning disinfection work. All related staff members had worn appropriate personal protective equipment. No patient has been identified as a close contact so far.

Since some of the abovementioned staff had been eating and chatting with other staff members without wearing masks, two staff members had been identified as close contacts. They will be arranged to be quarantined and be tested as required. Seventeen staff members are classified as other contacts. The hospital will arrange testings for the staff concerned.

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