

Kwong Wah Hospital announces a patient confirmed positive to COVID-19

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Kwong Wah Hospital (KWH) made the following announcement today (January 13) concerning a patient confirmed with COVID-19 (case number: 9359):

A 23-year-old female patient attended the Accident and Emergency Department in the afternoon on January 11 due to gynecological problem. She did not present with fever and other respiratory symptoms. Admission screening of COVID-19 test had been arranged for the patient according to the established guidelines. The patient was then transferred to the Gynaecology Ward for treatment. The result of COVID-19 test was indeterminate in the same evening. As a precautionary measure, the hospital had transferred the patient to the isolation ward immediately. The test result was confirmed positive by the Department of Health on January 12. The patient is in stable condition.

Upon contact tracing, one patient who had stayed in the same cubicle with the COVID-19 confirmed patient was being classified as a close contact and had been transferred to the isolation ward. All staff members who provided care for the COVID-19 confirmed patient were equipped with appropriate personal protective equipment. As a result, none of the staff members was being classified as a close contact.

A thorough cleaning and disinfection had been arranged in the ward concerned. The hospital would continue to closely monitor the health condition of staff and patients and communicate with the Centre for Health Protection about the latest situation.