

Kwong Wah Hospital announces a patient tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesman of Kwong Wah Hospital made the following announcement today (December 26) regarding a female patient tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19:

A female patient presented with fever had been admitted to an obstetric ward in the hospital due to membrane rupture today. The hospital had arranged the patient to be admitted into a single room in the labour ward and receive the COVID-19 test. The patient had given birth to an infant this morning, who had been admitted to a single room in the paediatric ward.

The test result of the patient was preliminarily positive for COVID-19. The hospital had transferred the patient, who was in stable condition, for treatment under isolation. The hospital had also arranged the infant to receive COVID-19 test and the test result was negative for COVID-19. The hospital had also arranged to transfer the infant to an isolation room.

The hospital's infection control team has conducted contact tracing and confirmed that no patient had been classified as close contact of the patient. The hospital has also conducted contact tracing for the relevant staff members, to review if appropriate personal protective equipment had been used. The contact tracing is currently in progress.

The hospital has completed thorough cleaning and disinfection in the ward and delivery room concerned. The hospital would continue to closely monitor the health condition of the staff members and patients and communicate with the Centre for Health Protection on the latest development.