

LCSD-outsourced workers test positive for COVID-19 (with photos)

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) today (July 20) said that an outsourced cleaning service contractor worker has preliminarily tested positive for coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), while an outsourced part-time Library Materials Maintenance Assistant has tested positive.

The outsourced cleaning worker concerned worked at Hung Hom Municipal Services Building Sports Centre in Kowloon City District. She last performed her duties on July 18. She felt unwell earlier and sought medical treatment, and was notified yesterday (July 19) that she had preliminarily tested positive for COVID-19.

The outsourced part-time Library Materials Maintenance Assistant concerned worked in the Adult Lending Library of the Hong Kong Central Library (HKCL) in Wan Chai District and was not required to have contact with the public at work. She last performed her duties on July 12. Since she had been identified as a close contact of a confirmed case, she was sent to a quarantine centre and was tested for COVID-19. She was notified yesterday night that she had tested positive.

The two workers concerned were admitted to hospital and have been treated under isolation. They are now in stable condition.

Both of them have no recent travel history. They wore surgical masks when performing their duties, and their body temperatures were normal when undergoing temperature screening during work.

The LCSD will arrange a thorough cleaning and sterilisation at Hung Hom Municipal Services Building Sports Centre and the relevant floors and all public facilities of the HKCL according to guidelines provided by the Centre for Health Protection (CHP). All facilities in the library and sports centre were temporarily closed earlier.

The LCSD is highly concerned about the COVID-19 epidemic and will continue to maintain close liaison with the CHP. Staff are reminded to pay attention to personal hygiene and to stay vigilant. They should seek medical advice immediately if feeling unwell.

