

Three LCSD staff members tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) today (February 9) said that a library staff member working at Tai Po Public Library (TPPL) in Tai Po District and Cheung Chau Public Library (CCPL) in Islands District, an outsourced library staff member working at Tsing Yi Public Library (TYPL) in Kwai Tsing District and a lifeguard working in Kowloon Park Swimming Pool in Yau Tsim Mong District have tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19.

All public libraries have been temporarily closed since January 7. The library staff member working at TPPL and CCPL last performed duties on February 4 while the outsourced library staff member last worked at TYPL on January 31. They underwent COVID-19 tests as they felt unwell earlier, and were notified today that they had tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19.

The lifeguard underwent a compulsory COVID-19 test earlier as there was a confirmed case at his housing estate, and was notified today that he had tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19. Kowloon Park Swimming Pool has been temporarily closed since January 7 and he last worked at the Swimming Pool yesterday (February 8).

The three staff members have no recent travel history, wore surgical masks and observed relevant infection control measures when performing their duties. The LCSD will arrange for their co-workers to undergo COVID-19 testing. The department will also arrange thorough cleaning and sterilisation at their working areas and public utilities according to the guidelines of the Centre of Health Protection (CHP).

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.