<u>Tseung Kwan O Hospital staff member</u> <u>tests positive for COVID-19</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesman for Tseung Kwan O Hospital (TKOH) made the following announcement today (January 8) regarding a patient care assistant (PCA) tested positive for COVID-19:

A PCA of TKOH attended the Mona Fong General Out-patient Clinic on January 6 for coughing and throat discomfort. His deep throat saliva test was positive to COVID-19. He is being arranged for isolation treatment with stable condition.

The PCA works in the Department of Anaesthesia and Operation Theatre. The hospital's infection control team has conducted contact tracing. As the PCA wore surgical mask and was equipped with appropriate personal protective equipment at work in accordance with the infection control guidelines, no patients are classified as close contacts. Also, he had no contact with COVID-19 confirmed patients at the hospital. One staff member who had meal together with the PCA is classified as close contact and required quarantine for 14 days. COVID-19 test was arranged and the result was negative.

A thorough cleaning and disinfection of his workplace have been done. TKOH will continue to communicate with the Centre for Health Protection on the latest situation.