

Tuen Mun Hospital radiographer tests preliminarily positive for COVID-19

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesman for Tuen Mun Hospital (TMH) made the following announcement today (January 6) regarding a radiographer who tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19:

A radiographer of TMH consulted a general practitioner for a sore throat on January 4. His deep throat saliva specimen tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19 yesterday (January 5) evening.

The radiographer concerned worked at the Department of Nuclear Medicine and performed radiological diagnoses without entering a high risk area, nor having contact with patients for an extended time. He last performed his duties on December 31, 2020.

The hospital's infection control team is working with the Centre for Health Protection on contact tracing. A preliminary finding shows that a scientific officer of the department who had a meal with the radiographer would be classified as a close contact and is required to be quarantined for 14 days. Contact tracing is still underway.

A thorough cleaning and disinfection have been arranged in the area concerned. TMH will continue to communicate with the Centre for Health Protection on the latest situation.