

United Christian Hospital announces patient tested positive for COVID-19

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for United Christian Hospital (UCH) made the following announcement today (February 9) concerning a patient tested positive to COVID-19:

A 27-year-old male patient was admitted to UCH Accident and Emergency Department (AED) on February 8 due to fever. Medical staff arranged admission screening COVID-19 test for the patient according to established procedures and the test result was preliminary positive. He was transferred to isolation ward for further treatment and is currently in stable condition.

The hospital's infection control team conducted contact tracing accordingly. No patient was identified as a close contact. A nurse did not put on full personal protective equipment (PPE) while assisting in nasopharyngeal swab specimen collection for a short period. The nurse was classified as close contact and will be quarantined. Investigation is still underway. All healthcare workers are reminded to wear full PPE when performing high-risk medical procedures in the hospital.

The hospital has arranged thorough cleaning and disinfection of the areas in AED. UCH will continue to closely monitor the health condition of our staff and patients and communicate with the Centre for Health Protection about the latest situation.