

Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency staff member tests positive for COVID-19

The following is issued on behalf of the Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency:

The Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency (WFSFAA) said today (February 16) that a staff member of its Student Finance Office (SFO) has today tested positive for COVID-19.

The staff member concerned is a clerical grade staff member. He works on the fourth floor of Trade and Industry Tower and does not have contact with members of the public in his daily work. He last went to work on February 10. He had been wearing surgical masks while performing duties and properly maintaining social distancing with other people.

In consideration of public health and hygiene, the offices on the fourth floor of Trade and Industry Tower have been closed this afternoon for thorough cleaning and disinfection. The service counters at the same floor will suspend services up to February 19. The SFO will contact those who have made appointments for counter services.

During the pandemic, the WFSFAA has been strictly implementing various disease prevention measures, including requiring staff to wear face masks when in contact with others and at public places. Cleaning and sterilising measures for the working environment have also been stepped up. The WFSFAA has reminded all staff to pay attention to personal hygiene and to stay vigilant at all times. If they feel unwell, they should seek medical advice immediately and inform the Agency.

The WFSFAA will continue to maintain close liaison with the Centre for Health Protection and co-operate with its anti-epidemic measures and quarantine work.