



Number of confirmed cases of new coronavirus infection in Hong Kong rises to 8

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Xinhua News Agency, Hong Kong, January 27. The Hong Kong SAR Government's Department of Health Protection reported on the 27th that two new cases of pneumonia confirmed by a new coronavirus infection have been added to the total number of confirmed cases in Hong Kong has now increased to eight, with no signs of community spread.

The heads of the Hong Kong Centre for Health Protection and the Hong Kong Hospital Authority introduced the details of the 27th. The seventh new patient was a 68-year-old Hong Kong woman living in Shenzhen. She went to visit relatives on January 9 and returned to Shenzhen on January 18. She started having fever and cough on January 21, and when traveling to Hong Kong via Luohu on January 25, she was intercepted by the Hong Kong Centre for Health Protection and taken to the hospital for treatment.

The eighth patient was a 64-year-old man who was the husband of the third confirmed case in Hong Kong. The man was admitted to the isolation camp on January 24 after his wife was diagnosed. He had a fever on January 25 and was taken to the hospital for treatment. The diagnosis was confirmed on January 26.

Zhang Zhujun, director of the Department of Infectious Diseases of the Center for Health Protection, said that the disease could be found in 8 confirmed cases, all of which are related to Hubei. The virus shows no signs of spread in the community. The centre will closely monitor the development of the epidemic in Hong Kong and its surrounding areas.

Hong Kong Hospital Authority's Director of Quality and Safety, Chung Kin-li, said that currently all eight confirmed cases are being treated at Princess Margaret Hospital's Infectious Disease Control Centre. Seven of them are in stable condition and one has changed from stable to severe.

Zhong Jianli said that from 12 noon on the 26th to 12 noon on the 27th, 69 new cases were reported to the Hong Kong Centre for Health Protection. Since the outbreak began, 10 of the reported cases have been medical staff or staff working in hospitals. Of these, 8 were negative and the remaining 2 are awaiting results.

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