

March 31, 2020 Novel Coronavirus Case in Tochigi Prefecture (Case No. 14)
Active Epidemiological Investigation (Report No. 3)

April 4, 2020

The confirmed results of the active epidemiological investigation of the case of novel coronavirus (Case 14) declared on March 31 in Tochigi Prefecture are as follows. *The information announced today is underlined.

【Patient Summary (Case 14)】

1. Age: 50s
2. Sex: Male
3. Residential area: Within the service area of the Prefectural South Health and Welfare Center (hereinafter “Center”)
4. Symptoms and progression:

March 28-29	Fever (38°C range)
March 30	Examined at Medical Institute A with a fever of 38.5°C and joint pain. Medical Institute A contacted the Center.
March 31	Tested via PCR and confirmed positive.
April 1	Hospitalized at a medical institution in Tochigi Prefecture and currently experiencing fever, joint pain, and loss of appetite.

5. Patient Behavior History

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| <u>March 23, 25</u> | <u>Examined at Medical Institute A (Wore a mask and traveled by car)</u> |
| March 28 | Went to work (Wore a mask and traveled by car) |
| March 29 | Stayed at home |
| March 30 | Examined at Medical Institute A (Wore a mask and traveled by car) |
| March 31 | Stayed at home |

6. People in Close Contact with the Patient

- Three members of the patient’s family (wife, mother-in-law, child) and three colleagues were in close contact with the patient. All six were tested via PCR on April 2 and confirmed negative.
- None in the medical facilities due to appropriate infection prevention measures.

7. Philosophy on Publicizing Case Details

- We believe it is necessary to create a balance between protecting patient privacy and publicizing patient information that is needed for preventing the spread of infection.

- The patient's behavior history during the period when the infection may have been passed on to others (beginning on March 28) has been publicized within the scope necessary to prevent the spread of infection.

- In contrast, the patient's behavior history outside of the period when the infection may have been passed to others (March 27 and earlier) is not believed to be necessary for preventing the spread of infection, so it has not been publicized.

*Testing was performed after Medical Institute A, where Case 12 visited for examination, reported that someone was not feeling well. Furthermore, there is no clear connection to Case 12 at this time.

*Regarding the medical institution in question, all medical practitioners who have had contact with patients have been tested via PCR and confirmed negative.

*Information has been provided on an individual basis to those who have visited the medical institution in question, and at this time, no one has presented with symptoms.