

April 10, 2020 Novel Coronavirus Case in Tochigi Prefecture (Case No. 32)

Active Epidemiological Investigation (Report No. 2)

April 14, 2020

The confirmed results of the active epidemiological investigation of the case of novel coronavirus (Case 32) declared on April 10 in Tochigi Prefecture are as follows. *The information announced today is underlined.

【Patient Summary (Case 32: Child of Tochigi Prefecture Case 14)】

1. Age: 20s
2. Sex: Female
3. Residential area: Outside of Tochigi Prefecture
4. Symptoms and progression:

March 30	Returned to family home in Tochigi Prefecture (the home of Case 14).
March 31	Family member (Father; Case 14) confirmed positive for novel coronavirus.
April 2	The patient was tested via PCR on the basis of having had close contact with a coronavirus patient and confirmed negative. The patient remained at the family home to observe her condition.
April 6	Nasal congestion
April 8	Sore throat, headache, light fatigue, loss of smell and taste. No fever.
April 9	Above symptoms continued. No fever. Contacted the Prefectural South Health and Welfare Center; samples collected at the outpatient clinic for those who have returned from overseas or had close contact with coronavirus patients.
April 10	Tested via PCR and confirmed positive. Hospitalized at a medical institution in Tochigi Prefecture.
5. Patient Behavior History
 - Stayed at home and did not go out other than for medical examination after father was diagnosed on March 31.
6. People in Close Contact with the Patient
 - Two members of the patient's family (mother and grandmother) were in close contact with the patient. They were tested via PCR on April 14 and confirmed negative.
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 April 6) 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 (April 5 and earlier) is not believed to be necessary for preventing the spread of infection, so it has not been publicized.