

April 16, 2020 Novel Coronavirus Case in Tochigi Prefecture (Case No. 41)
Active Epidemiological Investigation (Report No. 1)

April 18, 2020

The confirmed results of the active epidemiological investigation of the case of novel coronavirus (Case 41) declared on April 16 in Tochigi Prefecture are as follows. *The information announced today is underlined.

【Patient Summary (Case 41: Daughter of Tochigi Prefecture Cases 31 and 33)】

1. Age: 50s
2. Sex: Female
3. Residential area: Nasushiobara City
4. Symptoms and progression:

April 9	Fever (37°C range)
April 10	Fever 38°C range)
April 11	Tested via PCR and confirmed negative.
April 15	Fever (37°C range) and headache. Contacted the Prefectural North Health and Welfare Center (hereinafter “Center”) and was examined at the outpatient clinic for those who have returned from overseas or been in close contact with coronavirus patients. Samples taken at the Center.
April 16	Tested via PCR and confirmed positive. Hospitalized at a medical institution in Tochigi Prefecture.

5. Patient Behavior History

- Stayed home except for medical examinations after mother (Case 31) was confirmed positive (April 9) on the basis of having been in close contact with another patient.

6. People in Close Contact with the Patient

- The patient’s husband was in close contact with the patient. He was tested via PCR on April 11 and confirmed negative. He has not shown symptoms and was tested again on April 18 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 April 9) 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 8 and earlier) is not believed to be necessary for preventing the spread of infection, so it has not been publicized.