

March 24, 2020 Novel Coronavirus Case in Tochigi Prefecture (Case No. 6)
Active Epidemiological Investigation (Report No. 2)

April 1, 2020

The confirmed results of the active epidemiological investigation of the case of novel coronavirus (Case 6) declared on March 24 in Tochigi Prefecture are as follows. *The information announced today is underlined.

【Patient Summary (Case 6)】

1. Age: 70s
2. Sex: Male
3. Residential area: In the service area of the Tochigi Prefecture Ansoku Health and Welfare Center (hereinafter “Center”)
4. Symptoms and progression:

March 14	Fever (37.4-37.5°C)
March 15	Fever (37.4°C)
March 17	Fever (37.6°C). Examined at Medical Institute A in Tochigi Prefecture (traveled by car and wore a mask) and prescribed antibiotics.
March 20	Examined at Medical Institute B in Tochigi Prefecture (traveled by car and wore a mask)
March 22	Fever (39.3°C)
March 23	Fever (37.8°C in the morning) and fatigue. Examined at a designated infectious disease facility in Tochigi Prefecture (traveled by car and wore a mask) and hospitalized on the basis of pneumonia. The hospital contacted the Center.
March 24	Tested via PCR and confirmed positive.
5. Patient Behavior History

March 14-23	Remained at home other than for medical examination.
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6. People in Close Contact with the Patient
 - As of now, only the patient’s wife was in contact with the patient. She was tested via PCR on March 25 and confirmed positive (Case 7).
 - Before symptoms began, the patient was in contact with a relative who had a fever. Information has been shared with the public health center outside of the prefecture in the area where the relative lives. According to that public health center, the relative did not visit any high-risk areas for infection and is currently not showing symptoms, so they determined

that a test is not necessary.

- None in the medical facilities from March 17 and 20 due to appropriate infection prevention measures.

- The following is requested of anyone who has been in close contact with the patient:

1. Remain on standby at home until you have received a clear test result
2. If you have no symptoms and you have tested negative, observe your condition for 14 days beginning on the last day you had contact with the patient
3. If you develop symptoms, contact the Center and receive examination

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 14) 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 13 and earlier) is not believed to be necessary for preventing the spread of infection, so it has not been publicized.