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### **COVID-19 CONFIRMED CASE AT 16/F, VIRTUS MEDICAL TOWER**

On 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2021 (Tue) morning, Virtus Medical Group was notified that a clinic nurse, who worked on the 16/F of Virtus Medical Tower (VMT) and had undergone a COVID-19 test on 1<sup>st</sup> Feb (Mon) was confirmed to be Positive for COVID-19. A confirmed case was also reported in the building where the nurse lived two days ago. In response to the notification, 16/F VMT stopped operations immediately and will be closed until 11<sup>th</sup> Feb (Thu) inclusive.

To ensure the safety of our patients, visitors and staff, the entire floor and other affected areas have already been thoroughly cleaned and disinfected. Five clinic nurses, who were in direct contact with the infected person, have also undergone a COVID-19 test on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb respectively and their results are all negative. They have started the required quarantine in compliance with the guidelines of the Centre for Health Protection. Other medical and supporting staff working in Virtus Medical Tower have also undergone COVID-19 tests on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb respectively. Results of two specimens has not been out yet and the rest are all negative.

On 5<sup>th</sup> Feb, we have invited Prof. Yuen Kwok-Yung, Department of Microbiology of Hong Kong University, and his team to visit Virtus Medical Tower (VMT) for on-site inspection and to provide suggestions for improvement. It was confirmed that there is no COVID-19 outbreak in VMT. 16<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> floors which shared the ventilation, have been thoroughly cleaned and disinfected on 6<sup>th</sup> Feb as recommended by Prof. Yuen.

Other medical centres and clinics of the Group at different locations are not affected by the said incident and will continue to provide their normal services.

To ensure the safety of our patients and the staff of the Group, we will continue to observe the following preventive measures:

- 1) All medical and supporting staff are required to undergo regular COVID-19 tests;
- 2) Regular cleaning and disinfection are carried out in our clinics every day to assure environmental hygiene;
- 3) All medical and supporting staff are required to wear surgical masks the entire time at work;
- 4) All patients and visitors are required to undergo temperature check, wear surgical mask and sanitize their hands upon arrival at our clinics. They are also required to complete the COVID-19 TOCC Risk Assessment Form truthfully at the registration counter.

We take the health and safety of our patients and staff seriously. We will monitor our policy closely to ensure appropriate preventive measures are implemented in response to the state of the epidemic and the guidelines given by the Centre for Health Protection.



Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

**VIRTUS MEDICAL GROUP**