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To the press

# Outbreak of patients with pneumonia related to novel coronavirus (6th case)

Around 16 o'clock today (January 28), the National Institute of Infectious Diseases reported a case of infectious disease associated with the new coronavirus.

This patient is a resident of Nara Prefecture, and had no history of staying in Wuhan when he visited a medical institution on January 25, but was contacted by a tour visitor from Wuhan. As a result, it was reported as simulated disease surveillance.

This is the sixth case in Japan where the occurrence of a patient with an infectious disease related to the new coronavirus has been confirmed.

Proactive epidemiological investigations, including the identification of close contacts, are being carried out on this matter.

A press conference on this matter will be held from 19:00.

## Overview

(1) Age: 60s

(2) Gender: Male

(3) Place of residence: Nara

(4) Symptoms, course:

January 14 Chills, cough, joint pain.

He visited a medical institution in Nara Prefecture on January 17 and followed up without any abnormalities in various tests. Call a health center.

January 22 Joint pain and exacerbation of cough symptoms.

He was consulted again on January 25 and consulted a health center from a medical institution. Chest radiographs revealed findings in both lower lung fields, so he was adjusted and admitted to a medical institution in Nara Prefecture.

Samples sent on January 26.

(5) Action history:

On January 8-11, a tour passenger from Wuhan was put on a bus as a driver.

On January 12–16, another tourist from Wuhan took a bus as a driver.

◆ Message to the people

○ In the current situation of the new type of coronavirus infection, human-to-human transmission is recognized in China, but continuous transmission from human to human is not recognized in Japan. Please do not worry too much about the citizens and take measures against infectious diseases such as cough etiquette and hand washing as with seasonal flu.

○ If you are returning or entering Japan from Wuhan City, if you have symptoms such as coughing or fever, please be sure to report it at the quarantine station. If symptoms appear in Japan, please wear a mask and contact a medical institution in advance so that you can consult a medical institution as soon as possible. In addition, please declare that you have a history of staying in Wuhan City.

(Others) We

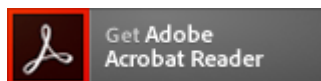
will continue to provide prompt and accurate information, so please cooperate in providing accurate information to the public. In addition, please refrain from interviewing on site from the viewpoint of protecting the privacy of patients.

(Reference) Coronavirus is a virus

that causes infectious diseases widely among humans and animals. There are six known causes of infectious disease in humans, but SARS-CoV (severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus) and MERS-CoV (middle east respiratory syndrome), which can cause serious respiratory illness. Other than coronavirus, infections are limited to non-severe symptoms such as a common cold. See the National Institute of Infectious Diseases information page for details.

○ National Institute of Infectious Diseases Coronavirus that infects humans

<https://www.niid.go.jp/niid/ja/from-idsc/2482-2020-01-10-06-50-40/9303-coronavirus.html>



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