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As of 8 October 2020, 12pm, the Ministry of Health (MOH) has confirmed and verified 4 new cases of locally transmitted COVID-19 infection. All 4 reside in dormitories and there is none in the community. In addition, there are 5 imported cases, who had all been placed on Stay-Home Notice (SHN) or isolated upon arrival. All cases today are asymptomatic and were detected from our proactive screening and surveillance.

Among the cases:

- Cases in the community: 0
 - o There are no new cases in the community today.
- Cases residing in dormitories: 4
 - 4 asymptomatic

Amongst the 4 cases residing in dormitories, 1 had been identified earlier as a contact of previous cases, and had already been quarantined to prevent further transmission. He was tested during quarantine to determine his status.

The remaining 3 cases were detected through surveillance testing, such as the bi-weekly Rostered Routine Testing of workers living in dormitories.

- Imported cases: 5
 - o 5 asymptomatic

Amongst the 5 imported cases, 1 is a Singaporean who returned from Nepal on 25 September. Another 2 cases are currently employed in Singapore. 1 case is an engineer who is on a short-term work project in Singapore, and arrived from France on 5 October, while the other arrived from Japan on 6 October.

The remaining 2 cases are crew members of a ship which arrived in Singapore from Malaysia on 23 September. They did not disembark from the ship and were isolated after one of the case had been confirmed to have COVID-19 infection. They were swabbed while quarantined on the ship, where they had remained until their test results came back positive for COVID-19 and were then conveyed by ambulance to a hospital.

Overall, the number of new cases in the community has remained stable at an average of 1 case per day in the past 2 weeks. The number of unlinked cases in the community has also remained stable at an average of fewer than 1 case per day in the past 2 weeks.

Of the new cases, 78% are imported or linked to known cases/ clusters, while the rest are pending contact tracing.

44 more cases of COVID-19 infection have been discharged from hospitals or community isolation facilities. In all,57,668 have fully recovered from the infection and have been discharged from hospitals or community care facilities.

Most of the 35 confirmed cases who are still in hospital are stable or improving. 1 is in the intensive care unit.

119 cases who have mild symptoms, or are clinically well but still test positive for COVID-19 are isolated and cared for at community facilities.

27 have passed away from complications due to COVID-19 infection.

Related link: List of public places visited by confirmed cases in the community during Infectious Period

For more details, refer to MOH's press release.

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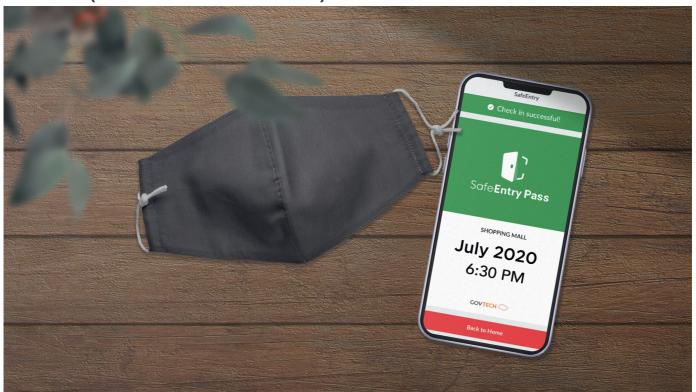






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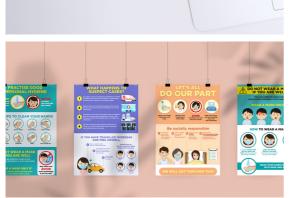


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