

Three SWD offices temporarily closed

The Social Welfare Department (SWD) today (February 17) said that three offices will be temporarily closed until further notice due to the occurrences of preliminary positive and suspected cases of COVID-19 respectively. The details are set out as below:

	Office	Address	Case
1	Tai Po (South) Integrated Family Service Centre	4/F, Tai Po Community Centre, 2 Heung Sze Wui Street, Tai Po Market	Preliminary positive
2	Social Security Field Unit (Guangdong Scheme and Fujian Scheme)	Unit 2110-2111, 21/F, Landmark North, 39 Lung Sum Avenue, Sheung Shui	Suspected case
3	Yau Ma Tei Integrated Family Service Centre	2/F, Henry G Leong Yau Ma Tei Community Centre, 60 Public Square Street, Yau Ma Tei	Suspected case

The preliminary positive case found in the Tai Po (South) Integrated Family Service Centre is related to a Social Work Assistant, who last performed duties on February 15. She had been wearing a mask when performing duties. Her body temperature was normal when undergoing temperature screening during work.

A thorough cleaning and disinfection has been arranged at the premises concerned. All staff will undergo COVID-19 testing and work from home while waiting for the results. For enquiries, members of the public may call the following service units during office hours:

- (1) Tai Po (South) Integrated Family Service Centre (Tel: 2657 8832);
- (2) Social Security Field Unit (Guangdong Scheme and Fujian Scheme) (Tel: 3105 3266); and
- (3) Yau Ma Tei Integrated Family Service Centre (Tel: 2388 2527).

During the pandemic, the department has been strictly implementing various disease prevention measures, including measuring the body temperature of people entering the office and providing masks and other personal protective equipment for staff. Staff members are reminded to pay attention to personal hygiene and to stay vigilant. They should seek medical advice immediately if feeling unwell.