



WAHIAWA GENERAL HOSPITAL
"Quality Care Close to Home"

Thursday
March 26, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to inform our patients, loved ones, friends, family and valued community partners about our first known case of a WGH employee who has tested positive for the COVID-19 (coronavirus) disease.

Per the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines this staff member was instructed not to report to work and to seek the appropriate follow up, which included being tested for COVID-19. We have reported this case to public health officials and while this is an unfortunate development, it is not surprising. The potential exists for COVID-19 infections to occur among hospital workers across the country, including in WGH.

WGH also identified the additional employees who had "direct contact" with this staff member. Those individuals have been contacted, sent home for self-quarantine, and are to follow up with their provider and the appropriate testing recommendations. WGH will remain in contact with these employees to help to determine any next steps.

If any further COVID-19 incidences occur amongst our staff, WGH will handle each case with the utmost respect to privacy while taking the appropriate measures to mitigate the further spread of the virus. Our priority remains the safety of all staff members, our patients, residents, and the communities we serve.

Wahiawa General Hospital (WGH) continues to support everyone during this difficult time and sends our best wishes to the staff member who is affected.

Sincerely,
Brian Cunningham
CEO
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