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Stepping up COVID-19 prevention measures

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WITH "strict" as the key word, Jiading District is actively building a "fortress" against the epidemic, strictly implementing prevention regulations and clarifying responsibilities for COVID-19 control at all levels.

Authorities are highly concerned about epidemic control. On August 9, officials visited the quarantine spot in Jiading Industrial Zone and inspected the construction site for health observation.

At the spot in Jiading Industrial Zone, two reports — the implementation of normalized measures for epidemic control and work performance at the observation site — were published. Personnel placement, health checks, indoor disinfection, meal delivery services and daily staff workflow were all in normal operation.

So far, the spot is equiped with 13 medical workers, three information registrants, two staff for sterlizing, one policeman and more than 10 employees from local hotels.

Project progress is in good order in the construction site for health observation, thanks to the staff who made their contributions to controlling COVID-19. Covering 66,000 square meters, the spot will have 1,328 rooms for observation.

Jiading communities are no less

rigorous in their compliance with epidemic control requirements.

Baiyin Community in Jiading New Town is a good example. It covers 3.87 square kilometers, with a total of 10,898 households and a population of approximately 33,000.

The large scale of the community has made it more difficult and demanding to prevent outbreaks.

Li Chao, manager of the Garbo Dream Star Property Service Center, introduced: "Community entrance, the first line of defense against the epidemic, must be strictly monitored."

All residents can only enter and exit the community from one entrance in one direction. Whenever residents enter the community, property staff will take their temperatures. During rush hours, the community opens another entrance to facilitate residents' commute.

Sun Yehua, an officer of the Hongde Sanfang community committee, said any time residents had needs, the committee would assist them over the phone or via WeChat.

Commercial complexes, food markets, hotels and other places with a high density of people are the focus of the epidemic control. People are only given access after showing their green health code and having their temperatures taken.

Hospitals cooperating to provide better service

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SHANGHAI No. 1 People's Hospital signed agreements with Jiading to launch the Jiading branch (Jiangqiao Hospital) recently.

Two healthcare centers in Jiangqiao Town and Zhenxin Community will be part of the cooperative agreement to make medical services more convenient and less expensive for locals.

A woman surnamed Zhang made a reservation at the Zhenxin Community health-care service center and had her health checkup at the Jiangqiao Hospital.

"It's so convenient. The community healthcare center made the reservation for me. All I needed to do was paying for the checkup, which was done directly," Zhang said.

"If there are difficulties for our doctors to make conclusions on patients' illnesses, we'll invite doctors from Shanghai No. 1 People's Hospital to join our group consultation, so patients don't need to register again," said Wang Xifu, associate doctor of radioloy department at the Jiangqiao Hospital.

Also, Jinsha New Town community healthcare service center in Jiangqiao Town launched the cooperation with the Shanghai No. 1 People's Hospital.

So far, 162 test items from Jiangqiao Hospital are accepted by Shanghai No. 1 People's Hospital with more than 1,500 reports being shared.

"In the future, we will share test results for ultrasound, gastrointestinal endoscopy, blood analysis and more items with community hospitals. The platform has been set up and testing is underway," said Xiang Chun, director of Information Management Department at Jiangqiao Hospital.



• Igniting a passion in kids for working out

A swim coach teaches two children how to properly inhale and exhale along with basic swimming postures at Jiading Stadium. Although the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games have come to a close, people's passion for working out is increasing, and students are making the most of the two-month summer holiday to enjoy the fun of physical activity. — Yu Chao

Breakfast is everywhere in district

Xi Lingyan and Chen Chen

RECENTLY, a series of refreshing and appetizing breakfast, such as green bean soup and white fungus soup, is available at EGO Convenience Store on Anting Town's Antuo Road.

The store offers more than 130 different Chinese and Western-style meals, and the new breakfast items are especially popular.

To meet the needs of nearby office workers, EGO has introduced two flexible online purchasing modes — "Pick-up at Store" and "Delivery to Home," making it the first choice of many white-collar workers.

Over the past six months since the store opened, it has seen a growing number of orders, with a peak of more than 400 orders on a single day.

Currently, EGO has four breakfast outlets in Jiading District.

"We plan to open more outlets in the district so our services can reach more industrial parks and some of the old communities," an EGO store manager said.

In the first six months of last year, 88 new breakfast outlets opened in Jiading District, far exceeding the target of 70 new outlets for the entire year.

Trial run for warmer Metro carriages

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SINCE August 8, Shanghai Metro has been trying out "temperature control" on 11 lines, including Metro Line 11 that travels across Jiading, with the temperature control facilities on top of existing cold air-conditioning in Metro carriages during summer.

The temperature control means that at the front and rear sections of the train, the air-conditioning temperature is about 2 degrees Celsius higher than other carriages, making it ideal for the elderly, children and other passengers who are physically weak or cold-averse.

Passengers will be reminded via broadcasts which carriages to take, while the LED screens at station entrances and exits will also be updated with temperature control information.

A total of 11 lines are being tested. Others are not part of the trial for the time due to equipment capacity and technical limitations.

As temperature sensitivity varies based on physical characteristics, it is difficult

to satisfy everyone with a single temperature. This trail is designed to accommodate different temperature sensitivities of passengers while riding Metro trains.

Metro air conditioning is affected by various factors, ranging from operating environments, exchange of hot and cold airflows inside and outside stations, density of passenger flows and differences in the physical sensations of long and short distance passengers.

As such, Metro carriage temperatures are not always at a constant level.