Cluster of Carbapenemase-Producing Enterobacteriaceae cases at Tuen Mun Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Tuen Mun Hospital (TMH) made the following announcement today (November 29):

Three male patients (aged 74 to 83) in a medical rehabilitation ward of TMH have been confirmed as carriers of Carbapenemase-Producing Enterobacteriaceae since November 25. They are being treated under isolation. Two of them are in critical condition due to underlying medical diseases, and the other one is in serious condition.

The ward concerned has adopted the following enhanced infection control measures:

- 1. Enhanced patient and environmental screening procedures;
- 2. Continuing to apply stringent contact precautions and enhanced hand hygiene of staff and patients; and
- 3. Enhanced cleaning and disinfection for environment and facilities of the ward.

The hospital will continue to closely monitor the situation in the ward concerned. The cases have been reported to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow-up.