Cluster of Carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae cases in Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority.

The spokesperson for Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital (AHNH) made the following announcement today (July 28):

Three male patients and one female patients (aged 36 to 85) in a medical mixed gender ward have been confirmed as being carriers of Carbapenemase-producing Enterobacteriaceae since July 26. Two patients are hospitalised under isolation in AHNH and one patient has been transferred to Tai Po Hospital for further medical care under isolation. All patients are in stable condition. The remaining patient had already been discharged.

The wards concerned will continue to adopt the following enhanced infection control measures:

- 1. Enhanced patient and environmental screening procedures;
- 2. Continued application of stringent contact precautions and enhanced hand hygiene for staff and patients; and
- 3. Enhanced cleaning and disinfection for the environment and facilities of the wards.

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