

Cluster of Influenza A cases at Kowloon Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Kowloon Hospital (KH) made the following announcement today (February 23):

Five patients (aged 63 to 78) in a female psychiatric ward of KH have presented with respiratory symptoms since February 18. Appropriate viral tests were arranged for the patients, and their test results were positive for Influenza A. Two patients are currently hospitalised at Queen Elizabeth Hospital for other medical needs, and the remaining three patients are being treated in isolation in KH. All patients are in stable condition.

Infection control measures have already been enhanced according to established guidelines. The hospital will continue to closely monitor the conditions of the patients 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.