

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 8):

Nine patients (aged 64 to 92) in a male rehabilitation ward have presented with respiratory symptoms since February 3. Appropriate viral tests were arranged for the patients and their test results were positive to Influenza A. Two patients are currently hospitalised at United Christian Hospital and Queen Elizabeth Hospital respectively for other medical needs, and the remaining seven patients are being treated in isolation in KH. All the 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.