

Cluster of Influenza A cases in Kwai Chung Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson of Kwai Chung Hospital made the following announcement today (January 23):

Four patients (aged from 26 to 63) and one staff member of a male psychiatric ward had presented with respiratory symptoms since January 15. Appropriate viral tests had been arranged and the test results of three patients and one staff member were positive to Influenza A. The patients concerned are being treated under isolation with stable condition. The staff member has recovered and resumed duty.

Admission to the ward and visiting have been suspended. Infection control measures have already been stepped up according to established guidelines. All other patients in the ward are under close surveillance.

The cases have been reported to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow up.