

Cluster of influenza A cases in Ruttonjee and Tang Shiu Kin Hospitals

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesman for Ruttonjee and Tang Shiu Kin Hospitals made the following announcement today (May 21):

Three patients (aged 61 to 90) in a male medical ward of Ruttonjee Hospital have presented with fever and respiratory symptoms since May 13. Appropriate viral tests had been arranged for the patients and their test results were positive for influenza A. The patients concerned are being treated in cohort and are in stable condition.

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.