Cluster of Influenza A cases in Tseung Kwan O Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Tseung Kwan O Hospital made the following announcement today (July 11):

Six male patients (aged 52 to 86) and two staff members in a medical ward presented with upper respiratory tract symptoms since July 5. Virological tests were positive for Influenza A. Two of the patients have recovered and been discharged; the other four patients, who are being treated under isolation, are in stable condition. One staff member has recovered and resumed duty, while the other is still on sick leave.

Infection control measures have already been stepped up according to the 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.