

# Cluster of Influenza A cases in Tung Wah Eastern Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Tung Wah Eastern Hospital (TWEH) made the following announcement today (October 17):

Six patients (aged 52 to 89) in a female medicine and rehabilitation ward had presented with fever or respiratory symptoms since October 9. Appropriate tests had been arranged for the patients and their test results were positive for Influenza A virus. Among the patients, an 89-year-old woman passed away on October 16 due to her underlying illness, while the others are still hospitalised under medical surveillance, and are in isolation in stable condition.

Infection control measures have already been stepped up according to established guidelines. The hospital will continue to closely monitor the health condition of the patients in the ward concerned.

TWEH has reported the cases to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow up.