

Cluster of Multi-drug Resistant Acinetobacter cases in Our Lady of Maryknoll Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Our Lady of Maryknoll Hospital made the following announcement today (May 28):

Three male patients (aged 82 to 99) of a medical ward have been confirmed as carriers of Multi-drug Resistant Acinetobacter since May 12. Two of the patients had been discharged earlier. The remaining patient is currently under medical surveillance and isolation treatment with stable condition.

Following the activation of the Emergency Response Level in public hospitals, the visiting arrangement for the ward has been suspended. The following enhanced infection control measures have been adopted according to established guidelines:

1. Enhanced cleaning and disinfection of the ward concerned;
2. Enforcement of stringent contact precautions and enhanced hand hygiene for staff and patients; and
3. Enhanced patient and environmental screening procedures.

The hospital will continue to closely monitor the situation 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.