

Cluster of Multi-drug Resistant Acinetobacter cases in Pok Oi Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Pok Oi Hospital (POH) made the following announcement today (May 24):

Three male patients, aged 57 to 89, in a Medical and Geriatric ward have been confirmed to have Multi-drug Resistant Acinetobacter (MDRA) since May 18. The patients are in a serious condition and are currently hospitalised under medical surveillance and isolation treatment.

The following enhanced infection and cleansing measures have already been adopted:

1. Enhance disinfection and cleansing of the ward concerned
2. Apply stringent contact precautions, including use of dedicated clinical equipment for MDRA carriers and enhance hand hygiene
3. Enhance attention to contamination-prone procedures

The cases have been reported to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow up. The hospital will continue to closely monitor the situation of the ward.