Cluster of Multi-drug Resistant Acinetobacter cases in Tin Shui Wai Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Tin Shui Wai Hospital made the following announcement today (January 12):

Five male patients (aged 68 to 83) in a medical ward have been confirmed as carriers of Multi-drug Resistant Acinetobacter since January 4. Among them, a patient has been discharged, a patient in critical condition due to underlying disease was transferred to Pok 0i Hospital earlier for further treatment, and the other three patients are currently hospitalised for treatment under isolation and are in stable condition.

The following enhanced infection control measures have been implemented according to the established guidelines:

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