Cluster of Rhinovirus/Enterovirus cases in Kwai Chung Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Kwai Chung Hospital made the following announcement today (October 9):

Three female patients (aged 33 to 64) in a ward of learning disabilities have been presenting with fever or respiratory symptoms since October 2. Appropriate viral tests had been arranged for the patients and their test results were positive for Rhinovirus/Enterovirus. The three patients are being treated in isolation and are in stable condition.

Enhanced infection control measures have already been adopted according to prevailing guidelines. Droplet and contact precautions, hand hygiene, cleaning and disinfection of the environment and equipment have also been strengthened.

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 follow-up.