

Cluster of Rhinovirus/Enterovirus cases in Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority.

The spokesperson for Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital made the following announcement today (November 24):

Three male patients (aged 19 to 65) in a psychiatry ward have been presenting with fever or respiratory symptoms since November 18. Appropriate viral tests had been arranged for the patients and their test results were positive for Rhinovirus/Enterovirus. The three patients are currently 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.