

Cluster of Rhinovirus/Enterovirus cases in Tuen Mun Hospital

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

â€‹The spokesperson for Tuen Mun Hospital made the following announcement today (October 25):

Six paediatric patients (three males and three females, aged 7 months to 5 years) of a paediatrics and adolescent ward have been presenting with fever or respiratory symptoms since October 21. Appropriate viral tests had been arranged for the patients and their test results were positive for Rhinovirus/Enterovirus. The six patients are being treated in isolation. One of them is in serious condition due to underlying medical conditions while the remaining five patients are in stable condition.

Enhanced infection control measures have already been adopted in the ward concerned 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 conditions of the patients in the ward. The cases have been reported to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow up.